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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Visit To China

MR Wendell Merick, United Press correspondent in Hongkong now on holiday in the United States, mailed off a special despatch from New York on Saturday with this statement: "China's Communist bosses have a tailor-made charge ready for their argument in favour of admission (to the U.N.) - the US prefers to maintain the Bamboo Curtain. He was writing on Peking's decision last week to admit several American correspondents to China, which individual correspondents have apparently been seeking for many months; and of the State Department's refusal to waive the restriction in American passports forbidding such visits.

Whatever Mr Merick's motives were in writing this particular article, some Americans will feel that basically it is a veiled indictment of State Department policy - or rather, that others (not all of them critical Asians) will take it that way. Superficially it appears to be critical of the timing of the Peking invitation but a certain, perhaps deliberate, ambiguity of expression leads one to believe that the writer's target was that layer of entrenched suspicion and hostility that surrounds America's policy towards China.

THE coincidence of the invitation with the forthcoming Presidential election campaign in which it could become a hot foreign policy issue, and the demand that is almost certain to be renewed by Russia at the United Nations later this year that Communist China be admitted suggest, of course, two ulterior motives. But neutral Asia is bound to disregard motives and, as Mr Merick suggests, see the American decision as further evidence of a policy aimed at the diplomatic isolation of China.

America has made a detente with China subject to two definite and, many feel, reasonable conditions: one is the return of American civilians and military personnel imprisoned in China; the other, a ceasefire in the Formosa area together with a guarantee of non-aggression against the Nationalists.

Sento has given China's neutral Asian neighbours as well as member nations respect in the eyes of Peking. Expediency perhaps dictates this attitude but rivalry between Peking and Washington for the hearts of Asia's millions has provided temporary security of a kind. There is a long jump from this state of affairs to America's demand for a ceasefire in the Formosa area; in time, however, expediency may also achieve the desired end here.

IT is possible that Mr Merick understands the need for America to be ready to take the initiative to counter obvious propaganda moves and to make its own suggestions to Asia that it is striving for peaceful settlement. Formosa, North Korea and North Vietnam are all thorns of the same nettle that apparently defy handling at present but which demand inevitably to be grasped firmly.

One may sympathise with the dilemma in which the State Department is placed by Peking's invitation to the correspondents, but not with the rigid, inflexible policy behind it which perpetuates tension and hostility and frustrates even the development of a more rational approach towards a detente. Advice that the correspondents should be allowed to visit China later this month may be considered gratuitous. But it must be added that there is a limit to the tolerance the United States can expect from its friends on this outstanding issue of Sino-American relations - and that limit is fast approaching.

EDEN REBUFFS NASSER

SUEZ CONFERENCE WILL GO ON WITHOUT EGYPT

22 NATIONS TO ATTEND

London, Aug. 12.

A Foreign Office spokesman said tonight the Suez conference would take place "as planned despite Egypt's rejection."

The spokesman, making the first authoritative British statement on today's announcement by the Egyptian President, Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser, that Egypt would not attend next Thursday's London talks, added: "Twenty-two out of twenty-four powers have signified that they will attend."

Colonel Nasser's proposal for a wider conference under Egyptian sponsorship was immediately relayed to Sir Anthony Eden, at his country residence, Chequers. The Prime Minister immediately consulted by

telephone with the Foreign Secretary Mr Selwyn Lloyd, who remained in London.

The British reaction was limited to a two-sentence statement. It was no surprise. Western diplomats had expected the Egyptian rejection of their invitation, and had maintained their London talks would go on.

British diplomatic sources here criticised Egypt's decision not to attend the London conference. They pointed out that other powers which had expressed disagreement

with the aims of the conference had decided to attend the Suez talks with commitment.

British sources noted that Colonel Nasser had admitted that the Suez Canal was a matter for international concern but that the Egyptian President was envisaging only a further international guarantee for the vital waterway and not as the Western powers proposed an international administrative system. Egypt's refusal tonight was the last of the replies to come in.—*Reuter and United Press.*

U.S. 'NOT SURPRISED'

Washington, Aug. 12.

U.S. officials expressed little surprise here today that Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser had turned down an invitation to attend the London conference on the Suez Canal.

Egypt's refusal has been expected. Some officials said her acceptance of the invitation would have been surprising.

Congressional Meeting

'Equitable Solution' Is President's Hope

Washington, Aug. 12.

President Eisenhower expressed hope today, in a meeting with Congressional leaders, that a solution could be found in the Suez Canal dispute which would be equitable both to Egypt and to those who are dependent on the Canal.

An official White House statement, read to reporters following the meeting, said that acceptance of 22 of 24 invited nations to the London conference beginning next week "will offer an opportunity for reaching a peaceful and equitable solution in accord with the concept of the 1898 governing treaty."

EGYPT'S INTEREST

"They (the President and the Secretary of State) made clear that the United States will attend with the purpose of contributing to a solution with the object of safeguarding the interests of those dependent on the Canal as well as recognizing the legitimate interests of Egypt."

"We are hopeful of such an outcome."

The statement said that executive leaders had stressed, however, "the continuing gravity of the situation and the difficulty in achieving a constructive solution."

Senator Walter George, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee who attended the meeting, said afterwards: "We consider the situation grave but not necessarily hopeless."

NO COMMITMENTS

No commitments were asked or given, Senator Lyndon Johnson, the Democratic Leader in the Senate, said.

Senator Johnson, who with other Democratic leaders flew here in a Government plane from Chicago where the Democratic National Convention opens tomorrow, said before a battery of microphones: "President Eisenhower gave a general outline and background of the Suez situation."

"We discussed the possible course of conduct of the United States at the London conference next week which Mr Dulles will be attending."

"We also discussed the effect of the Suez developments upon the United States."

Senator Johnson was asked whether the Administration had indicated what "United States policy would be if the London conference failed. He replied: "We did not discuss the failure of the conference."

Malta Premier Calls Off Rebellion

FLYING BOATS CAN LAND NOW, HE SAYS

Valetta, Aug. 12.

The Maltese Premier, Mr Dom Mintoff today called off his one-man rebellion against the British Government's decision to land flying boats in Malta's harbours.

After a late night conference with the Governor, Mr Mintoff and his Cabinet agreed to drop their protest that the landing of flying boats in Malta harbours would harm the fishing trade.

The flying boats are carrying British women and children from Suez as part of the British Government's evacuation plans in the present Canal crisis.

Mr Mintoff's announcement tonight said that all arrangements connected with the landing of flying boats in Maltese waters would have the full co-operation of the Maltese Government.

Cut Off Radio

Earlier, Mr Mintoff had claimed credit for sabotaging the radio station in Malta because the Governor refused to allow his protest against the flying boats to be broadcast. Yesterday, the Governor, Sir Robert Laycock, ordered all craft to clear the harbours where flying boats would stop over on their flights from Suez to Britain evacuating British women and children.

Mr Mintoff protested this as a violation of fishermen's rights, but Rediffusion Service, which broadcasts to the island under licence from the Imperial Government, refused to carry his declaration.

US Ballet Group To Visit HK

San Francisco, Aug. 13.

The San Francisco ballet will visit Hongkong next year, it was announced today.

It will also visit Korea, Okinawa, Formosa, the Philippines, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Burma, India, Ceylon and Pakistan.

The tour, to commence in January, will last about three months.

The group, now conducting a series of engagements in the United States, will go abroad under a State Department programme for the encouragement of international cultural exchanges.—*United Press.*

Frontier Incidents

Tel-Aviv, Aug. 12.

Two new incidents occurred in the Gaza strip on the Egyptian-Israeli armistice lines today, an Israeli spokesman stated.

This morning, Egyptian positions opened fire against Eres and Kibbutz, and the fire was returned, he said.

In the afternoon, two Egyptians crossed the lines into Israel and fired with automatic weapons against a tractor working in the fields on the Eres settlement.

Israeli fire drove the infiltrators back across the lines, the spokesman said.—*France-Press.*

Tokyo Quake

Tokyo, Aug. 13.

An earthquake rocked Tokyo's downtown buildings for a few seconds early today.

There were no immediate reports of casualties or damage.—*United Press.*

What The Crystal Ball

Says Of Colonel Nasser

Karachi, Aug. 12.

The Dravidian astrologer Pingal Reddy predicted today that the Egyptian President, Colonel Nasser, will die a violent death and will be replaced by a general as dictator of Egypt.

The astrologer said the Suez Canal crisis will be finally settled by October 28 of this year when its administration will return to its "original hands."

Pingal claims that in 1955 he foresaw "troubled times" for Egypt with three dictators succeeding each other—General Mohammed Naguib, Colonel Nasser, and an unnamed general. He said that Nasser would

Reservoirs Are Now 80pc Full

The heavy rains over the weekend have further improved the storage position of the Colony's reservoirs by 239 million gallons. The total amount of water in store at 8 o'clock this morning was 4,757 million gallons—nearly 80 per cent of full capacity.

Consumption during the two days amounted to 72 million gallons and the yield from streams and catchment areas was 312 million gallons.

The following are the Water Authority's figures for the weekend:

Sunday — at 8 a.m., total storage 4,549 million gallons, consumption 38 million gallons, yield 99 million gallons — a gain of 31 million gallons.

Monday — at 8 a.m., total storage 4,757 million gallons, consumption 35 million gallons, yield 243 million gallons — a gain of 208 million gallons.

In the two-day period, 3.30 inches of rain was registered at Shing Mun, in the New Territories. Rainfall registered at Tytan was 8.6 of an inch, at Aberdeen .71 of an inch and .59 of an inch at Pokfulam.

What Was In The Box?

London, Aug. 11.

Chief Detective Insp. Thomas Shepherd, one of two Scotland Yard officers who flew to Cape Town to detain a member of the crew of the Bloemfontein Castle, John Kelly, in connection with the £100,000 London diamond robbery, arrived back in London by air tonight with an 18-inch mystery cardboard box under his arm.

Kelly was detained by Insp. Shepherd and Det. Sgt. James Driscoll when he reached Cape Town from Britain in the liner. "He will be brought home in the Pretoria Castle, arriving in Britain later this month," Insp. Shepherd said.

Asked if a second arrest in connection with the robbery could be expected in London, he replied: "I cannot say until I have reported to my superiors."

Det. Insp. Shepherd walked from the Customs hall to his car and declined a porter's offer to carry the tightly-sealed cardboard box. When asked its contents he replied: "Just personal belongings." —*United Press.*

Cypriot Killed

Nicosia, Aug. 12.

A Greek Cypriot was shot dead today by two masked men in Nicosia.

The shooting took place in a coffee shop.—*France-Press.*

'Japan Now Building More Ships Than UK'

London, Aug. 13.

The Daily Herald today claimed that Japan was now building more shipping tonnage than Britain.

The newspaper said: "Japan has built the largest ship in the world, a tanker of 85,000 tons. For the first time in a generation, the largest ship afloat is not British built or British owned."

"That, in itself, is merely an interesting fact, not necessarily of great significance. But here is another fact that should make us sit up."

"We have dropped from our top position as the world's biggest builders of ships. We used to build more than half of them. Japan is now building more tonnage than Britain, with Germany on our heels."

FULL BLAST

"British shipyards are working full blast. There are five million tons of orders in hand, enough work to keep us going for years. That, no doubt, is why Japan and Germany are doing so well now."

"But if it is the leaveings that other countries are getting, all we can say is that these are some leaveings."

"Everybody in the shipyards knows the situation that is developing, but precious little seems to get done about it," the Herald added.—*Reuter.*

Trooper Diverted

Cape Town, Aug. 12.

Diverted by the Suez crisis, the British troopship Empire Fowey arrived here today en route home from the Far East.—*United Press.*

BELGIAN MINE TRAGEDY

Rescue Workers Held Up By Roof-Fall

Brussels, Aug. 12.

Rescue workers, trying to reach 252 miners entombed in a mine at Marcinelle since last Wednesday, were today halted by a roof fall in an escape gallery 3,000 feet below the surface.

M. Jan Van Den Heuvel, Director-General of the Belgian Mines Administration, announcing this, said they had penetrated 165 feet in the gallery.

A mining engineer said yesterday if the air where the men were trapped was breathable, they could hold out for about 10 days.

Earlier today, M. Van Den Heuvel said the fire showed a tendency to diminish.

On Sunday afternoon sight-seers stood jammed shoulder to shoulder on slagheaps around the pit where the miners are trapped.

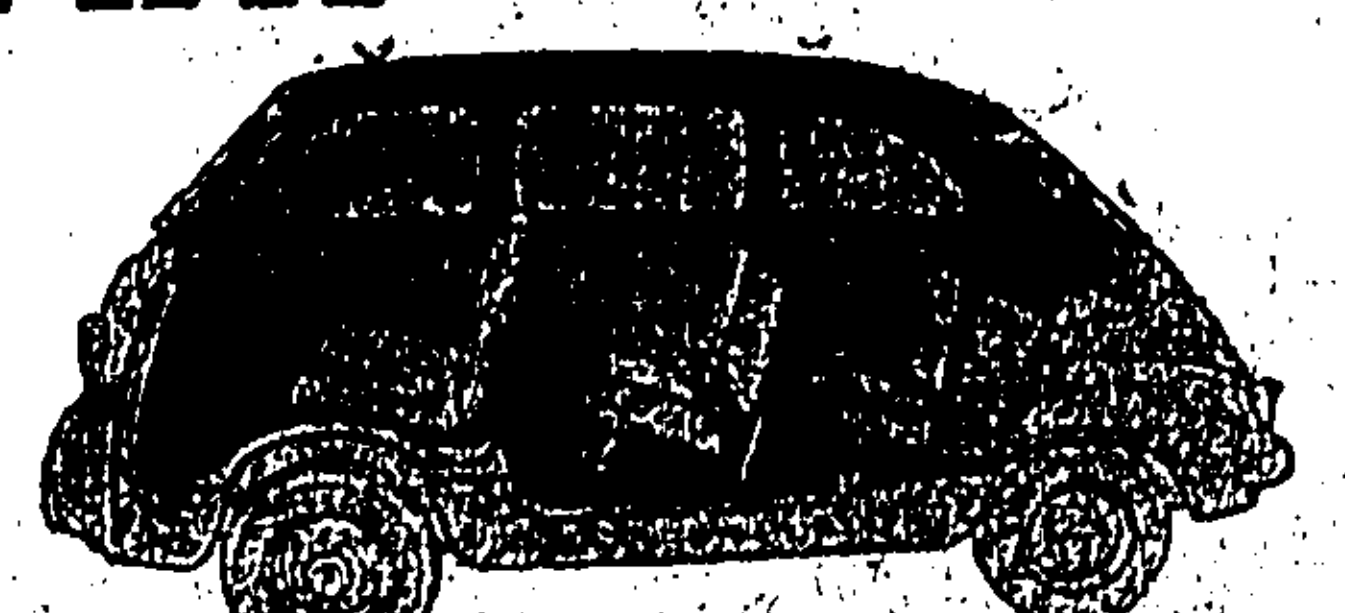
All roads leading to Charleroi, a main centre of this Belgian mining region, and Marcinelle, were jammed with cars converging on the stricken pit from all over Belgium and from France.

Police reinforcements barred roads leading to the mine to all cars except those with business at the pit and turned back stragglers coming to swell the thousands already at the disaster scene.

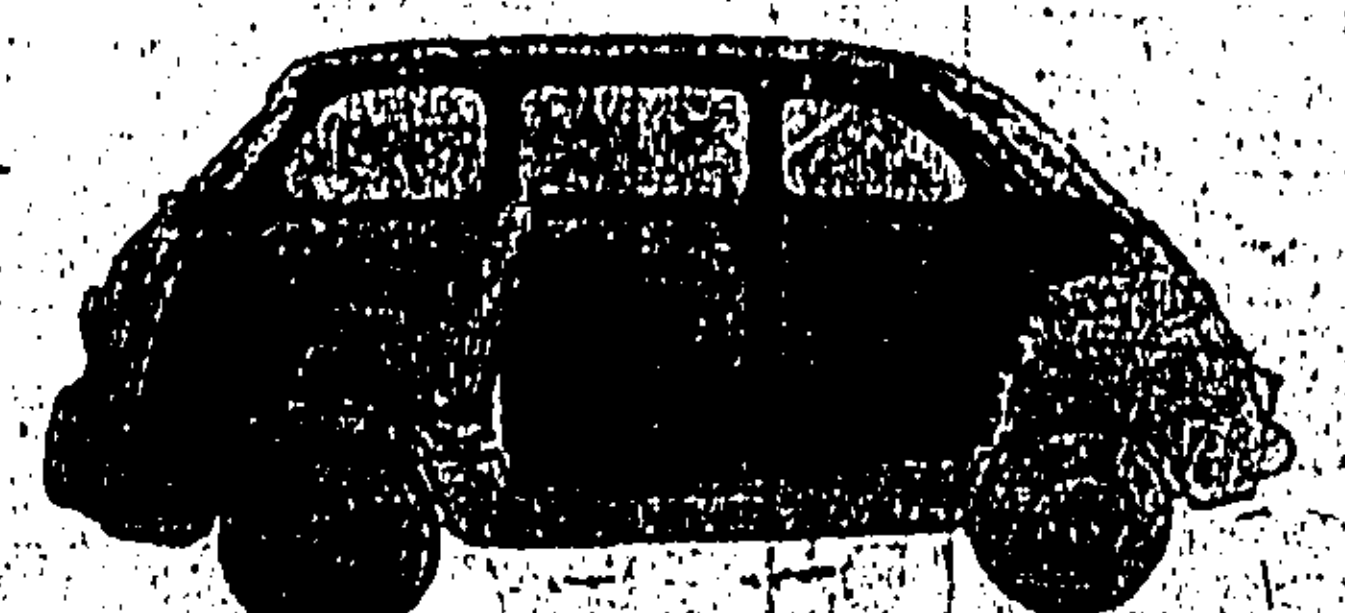
Police reported minor scuffles with disappointed spectators who tried to force their way in.

Grim visitors were families of Italian miners trapped below. Italian Embassy officials said about 30 of these families had arrived.—*Reuter.*

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Ten Nations Enter Venice Film Festival

Venice, Aug. 12. Ten nations, including the US and Russia, have entered a total of 14 films in the 17th International Film Festival to be staged here from August 28 to September 8, organisers said today.

The countries taking part are: USA (two films), Russia (one), Japan (two), Mexico (one), Spain (one), Germany (one), France (two), Italy (two), Greece (one) and Britain (one). List of movies in USA: "Stronger Than Life" by Nicholas Ray and "Fruit Wolf" by Robert Aldrich.

FRENCH EXHIBITS
France: "Gervaise" by Rene Clement and "Across Paris" by Claude Autant-Lara.

The organisers said the international jury would be presided over by John Grierson of Britain. Its members will be Russian: Vladimir Markovitch; British: James Quinn; French: Andre Bazin; Italian: Luciano Visconti; and Japanese: Isamu Kawano.

Britannia On Tour

London, Aug. 13. The world's largest airliner, the four-engined turbo-prop Bristol Britannia 100, left London Airport tonight on a three weeks tour of North America.

Before take-off, Mr Peter Massfield, managing director of Bristol Aircraft Company, said it was hoped to sell Britannia's worth 200 million dollars to major United States airlines.

Russia Not Invited To Air Show

Columbo, Aug. 12. The Ministry of Transport has refused a request that Russia be invited to take part in an air show here next year. The Civil Aviation Department said it had wanted the Soviets to send jets for the projected display.

The Ministry, however, will ask Russia for aid for the national railroad. It wants 20 locomotives, sleepers and rails. The Department of Governmental Undertakings, similarly intends to seek information from Russia in the fields of electrical distribution and tariff structure. It plans to send a team of officials to the Soviet Union to conduct studies on these subjects.

Women Killed In Malaya

Kuala Lumpur, Aug. 12. Two Chinese women were shot dead by security forces this morning when they walked into a military ambush position outside the perimeter wire of Bemban, a new village in the Baze Gajah district of Perak.

A government communiqué said the women were repeatedly challenged during a house curfew but failed to halt or reply and were shot at and killed.

Paratroops For M.E.



As a result of the Suez Canal crisis units of the 10th Independent Parachute Brigade left for the Mediterranean area aboard the aircraft carrier HMS Theseus. Picture top shows the troops boarding the Theseus; picture bottom, an air view of the Theseus as it steams toward the Mediterranean. —Express Photo.

GIANT AIR LIFT UNDER WAY

London, Aug. 12. Hundreds of British troops and military equipment were flown to the Mediterranean today in a giant airlift which will continue throughout the week.

The soldiers took off in civil airliners — Britannias, each capable of carrying 100 passengers — and Hermes troop-carrying aircraft. Other planes carried baggage and equipment.

During this week about 60 flights will be made with troops to the Mediterranean. More aircraft will begin taking off from Hurn Airport, near Bournemouth, and nearby Blackbushe, early tomorrow morning.

Twice Postponed
The airlift, ordered last week as a result of the Suez Canal crisis, had been twice postponed. The soldiers were mainly infantrymen with a few technical detachments and one field ambulance unit.

At nearby Southampton two double-decked Solent flying boats of Aquila Airways left for Malta on their way to Lake Farana to pick up women and children attached to the Suez Contractors Service Company. A third Solent will take off tomorrow for Egypt.

Another Load
They were driven off and within four hours the Empire Ballie was on her way back to Antwerp for another load.

Woman Keeps 70 Cats
Durban, Aug. 12. Mrs I. Miles, of Westridge Durban, has 70 cats. She knows them all by name and they know her.

POP.
Major - General Iskander Mirza, President of Pakistan, returned here today after a four-day goodwill visit to Afghanistan.

In a radio interview he said the visit had been a "distinct success" and had helped in "removing misunderstandings and creating a friendly atmosphere of cordiality and goodwill between the two neighbouring Muslim countries."

NASSER DEFENDS ACTIONS Changed Mind About Attending Suez Conference In London

London, Aug. 12. President Nasser of Egypt said tonight in a broadcast over Cairo Radio—monitored and translated from the Arabic in London:

"We did not grab the Suez Canal. We just nationalised the canal company. This is our just right."

He continued: "We do not want to be under anybody's influence. We are an independent sovereign state, defending our own rights."

"The British Press has said that Gamal Abdel Nasser grabbed the canal. How can I grab what belongs to us, to Egypt?"

Strong Pressure

"The three big powers who claim to be the leaders of the free world, protectors of freedom and sovereignty of the peoples, started to use strong pressure against the Egyptian nation just to prevent us from regaining our own right in the Suez Canal."

"They wanted to starve the Egyptian nation, humiliate us, just to suit their own purpose. This is very surprising as it comes from those who allege they are the defenders of the freedom of the world."

"We had expected such pressure. So we have done our best to organise our own affairs and finances so as to be prepared to face any emergency and moreover to prevent any one or more nations from imposing or dictating their terms to us."

"We have done our best to co-operate with the nations of the world. We have relied on England and the Bank of England in our transactions and business but at the same time worked to liberate ourselves."

Prepared

"This economic pressure against us used by the three powers may affect us, but will not starve us."

"We had prepared for it and we will continue to struggle against it."

President Nasser, speaking quietly and calmly, explained why he refused the invitation to the London conference. He said: "The three powers are not interested in anything but the control of the free world, in establishing areas of influence and subjugating other nations."

"Thereby their intentions are clearly shown to the real free world. Therefore we refused today to attend the London conference."

"I was prepared to go to London, but what is the use of attending the conference in the light of what we know of the true intentions of the three big powers?"

"Egypt is willing always to settle all international issues peacefully and in the interest of all nations and world peace but are these powers truly seeking peace or world domination?"

Algerian Problem

"Does France truly want peace?"
"If it is true, why did she not solve the Algerian problem and end the massacres committed every day in Algeria?"
"Is Britain really looking for peace or to secure Great Britain's position in the world?"

"What do they understand by the evacuation of the Canal zone if they still want to be masters there?"

"I again repeat that Egypt will always work to solve international problems peacefully but we do not want to be subjugated to the yoke of any power."

Colonel Nasser repeatedly emphasised that Egypt would maintain complete freedom of the waterway and said the hundred of ships passing through the canal from the day the company was nationalised until today proved that "we have done our best to maintain the freedom of the canal which we shall continue to do as it is most important to world economy and trade."

National Duty

He also praised "the support of the free world which encourages us to carry on with our national duty. Power pressure will not frighten us."

"I assure you my friends, that to the last drop of blood in my veins I shall stand by what we believe is right. So shall we all," President Nasser said.

"God will help us and be our guidance," he concluded.—Reuters.

Jap Hens Eat Newspapers

Tokyo, Aug. 12. A Japanese housewife in Tokyo has two hens which eat newspaper every day.

Last summer the hens sampled some newspapers lying about the house. Since then a sheet of newspaper torn into small bits and mixed with dry tea leaves has been added to the normal diet of rice bran and chopped vegetables.

The hens were reported to prefer Japan's most respectable daily, but an English language daily was also "gobbled down with relish" according to the housewife.—China Mail Special.

Grouse Get Extra Day Of Freedom

London, Aug. 12. "The Glorious Twelfth," traditional opening of the grouse shooting season, will be a strangely silent one today.

The grouse hunters will have to wait patiently for Monday, because the opening of the season falls on a Sunday this year, the birds will have one extra care-free day.

Superstitious marksmen are already gloomy over the prospect of only moderate bags.

But whether the birds are plentiful this year or not, orders for more than 1,000 birds have been accepted over here from New York night clubs which plan to serve up the birds the following day.

YOUNG BIRDS

Experts say the tendency this year will be to postpone heavy shooting until September to give the young birds a chance.

Shooting, which has become so expensive in the post-war years, is a luxury now enjoyed only by the Royal Family, a few wealthy lairds, and more and more Americans who form syndicates for the renting of the moors.

The Queen has taken a lease of two moors at Invercauld, in Scotland, and the Queen Mother, who will be staying at Invercauld House, has rented another for her guests.—China Mail Special.

TWO TRAINS COLLIDE

Brandonburg, Saskatchewan, Aug. 12. One man was killed and at least five others injured today in a two-train collision here, some 2-30 miles northeast of Moose Jaw.

Louis Kerr of Wynyard, an engineer, was crushed to death when a westbound freight on the Canadian Pacific Railway line from Wynyard to Yorkton collided with a steam engine and caboose.—United Press.

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By PAUL SCOTT RANKINE

Chicago, Aug. 12.

Mr Adlai Stevenson and Governor Averell Harriman—rivals for the Democratic presidential nomination—today campaigned for votes among the delegates arriving here for tomorrow's national convention of the party.

German Protestant Gathering

Frankfurt, Aug. 12. An estimated 450,000 persons were in the sun in front of a 100-foot cross today in the final session of the German Protestant "Kirchentag" conference.

The crowd, which included 25,000 East Germans, heard sermons and reports on the five-day session, blasted forth from loudspeakers mounted inside the cross. A giant 2,000-piece band and 3,000 voice choir, led by three directors using loudspeakers, played hymns. The band could be heard two miles away.

Guests included West German Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano and East Germany's Deputy Premier Otto Nuschke.

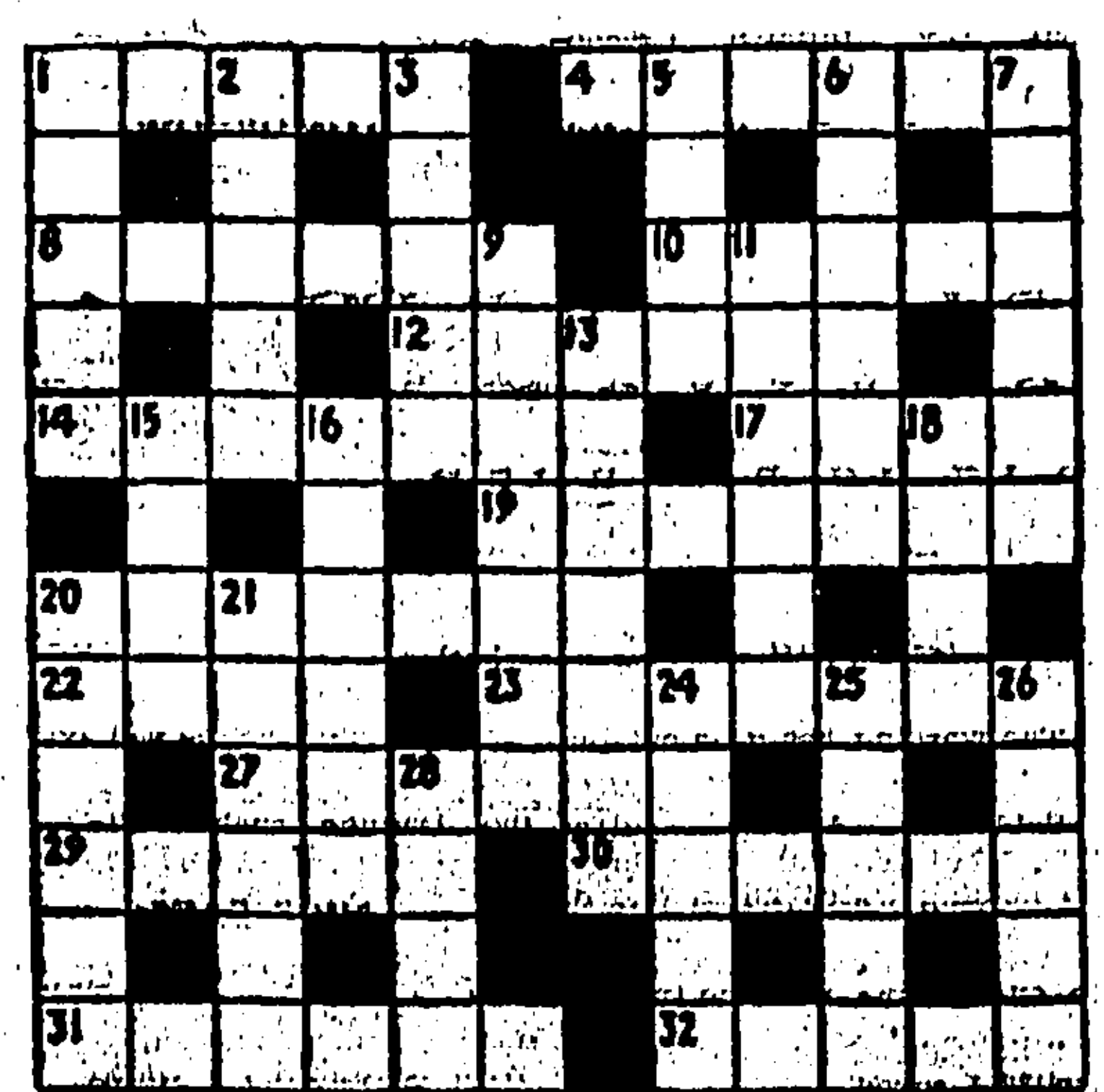
DIVIDING POINT

The major theological step of the conference, which had 70,000 delegates discussing the church's place in modern life, was a decision to ask the church to reintroduce the private confession to German Protestant practice.

The decision was reached by one of the conference working groups and announced today. If adopted, it could reinstate one of the major dividing points between the Catholic and the Protestant beliefs.

Kirchentag officials were openly disappointed at the turnout, which was far under their predictions of 850,000. — United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



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A scene from the opening of Yachting Week at Cowes, most exclusive week of the British social season, and one which attracts sportsmen from countries the world over. — Express Photo.

REBEL AMBUSH

Algiers, Aug. 2. A heavily armed rebel band ambushed and shot down at least 17 French soldiers on the plains of Beni Blizian south of Algiers today, it was reported here.

The strong French patrol moved into the rebel ambush shortly afterwards.

The clash took place near Beni Blizian on the route from Beni Blizian to Berrouaghia, about 62 miles southwest of Algiers. — United Press.

STALIN CAR RENAMED

Moscow, Aug. 12. The ZIS, Russia's luxury VIP car used by the Kremlin leaders, has been officially re-christened.

Until June, the factory where the ZIS is made was known as the Stalin Motor Works and the letters ZIS stood for Zavod Imeni Stalina or Factory named after Stalin.

Then, as part of the drive against Stalin's "personality cult," the factory was renamed the Likhachev Motor Works in honour of Ivan Likhachev, a former Minister of the Road Transport Industry and a one-time director of the Stalin Factory who was himself once fired by Stalin.

OVER-RULED

The factory which became Zavod Imeni Likhacheva or Factory named after Likhachev and the initials changed to ZIL. Many people thought that ZIL was too clumsy for the name of a car, but the doubters were all over-ruled and all future models of the Packard-like limousine will be known as ZIL.

Buses and lorries produced by the same factory will also be renamed ZIL instead of ZIS. And the sub-way station near the factory has already had a name-change. It is now the Motor Works Station instead of the Stalin Motor Works Station. — China Mail Special.

124 MPH WINDS

Moscow, Aug. 12. Winds exceeding 200 kilometres per hour (124 mph) were recorded this week by scientists at the Soviet Antarctic base "Mirny." — Telegram.

Snow drifts which built up during a severe storm lasting nearly 18 hours covered all the installations at the Antarctic observatory, the agency said. — China Mail Special.

TERRIFIC BATTLE TO SAVE HARBIN FROM FLOOD WATERS

By DAVID CHIPP

Harbin, Aug. 12. More than 500,000 people are battling to save this industrial city from the threatening floodwaters of the Heilong River.

The Heilong River, the northernmost of the three great rivers of China, is now in flood. It has reached its highest level in 1956, and is expected to continue to rise.

The floodwaters are threatening the city of Harbin, which is situated on the river. The city is a major industrial and commercial center, and its population is over 1 million.

The floodwaters are also threatening the surrounding countryside. The floodwaters are causing widespread damage to crops and property.

The Chinese government is taking steps to protect the city and the surrounding countryside. The government is building dykes and levees, and is also evacuating people from the flood-prone areas.

The battle to save Harbin from floodwaters is a heroic one. The Chinese people are showing great courage and determination in their fight against the floodwaters.

Twin Jet Bomber Averages 600 mph

Washington, Aug. 12. A B-66 jet bomber has flown from Hawaii to Long Beach, California, at an average speed of more than 600 miles per hour, the Air Force announced today.

The twin jet airplane, which covered 2,690 miles on the flight, was returning from participation in the spring nuclear tests at Eniwetok.

The Air Force did not claim a record for the 4-hour-27-minute hop with Maj. Ralph R. Robinette at the controls. His navigator was Capt. G. E. Little and his crew chief was John R. Soper.

The Air Force B-66 is a version of the Navy-designed A3D, which recently flew from Hawaii to Albuquerque, New Mexico, at an average speed of 570 miles per hour for the 3,200 miles distance.

The Navy plane also was returning from Eniwetok.

Both the Navy and Air Force versions are built by Douglas Aircraft Co. The A3D is the Navy's heaviest carrier-borne bomber while the B-66 is considered a light bomber for tactical work by the Air Force. — United Press.

Awards For Australian Journalists

Sydney, Aug. 12. Australian journalists are to have annual awards worth \$21,000 (\$2800 sterling) for outstanding stories, articles and news photographs.

First prize of \$2500 is for the best piece of newspaper reporting, second of \$2200 for the best feature story and three other prizes of \$2100 each will be awarded for the best news or general interest picture, best non-fiction story in an Australian magazine and the best story in a provincial newspaper.

Announcing the awards for his company Mr W. G. Walkley, Managing Director of Ampol Petroleum Ltd, said that he had a profound admiration for the high standard of Australian journalism.

"The average Australian who has not travelled overseas does not appreciate that for factual and accurate reporting, the Australian Press is the best in the world," he added. — China Mail Special.

Cowes Yachting Week Opens

Noisy Demonstrators Baffle Police

Ahmedabad, Aug. 12. Anti-government protests tonight took the form of peaceful but noisy demonstrations similar to those used against the British in India's fight for independence.

After a fairly peaceful day, protesters against the formation of a bilingual Bombay state this evening harassed police by shouting and noise making with musical instruments. They stood on roof tops, in compounds and on street corners, some with bugles and other instruments and others beating with sticks against brass trays. Some shouted "Maha Gujarat" and others "police go away."

MINISTER RESIGNS

Ceylon, Aug. 12. Ceylon Premier, Solomon Bandaranaike, today accepted the resignation of the Minister of Posts, Broadcasting and Information, Mr R. M. P. Rajaratna.

Rajaratna resigned in protest against the Premier's decision to permit a march organized by the Tamil Federal Party.

The Federal Party has started a march from various localities in North Ceylon—a predominantly Tamil speaking area—to converge on Trincomalee for a party convention on August 17 and 18.

Rajaratna contended that this march would lead to communal disturbances between Tamils and Sinhalese, similar to those in early June, over the Government's decision to make Sinhalese the sole official language of Ceylon. — France Press.

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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

One Risk Nets
Seven Spades

By OSWALD JACOBY

HOW should you play the South hand at a contract of seven spades? West leads the queen of hearts, and you win the first trick in your own hand with the ace. Plan the whole campaign before you read on. The correct play is a good exercise in timing.

At the second trick, you lead out the ace of spades to make sure that the trumps aren't all in one hand. When both opponents follow, you breathe a little easier and cash the ace of clubs. An immediate club ruff must be risked, but this is your last risk.

You continue with a second round of trumps to dummy's queen. Next you cash the king of hearts, descending from your hand the king of clubs.

The next step is to lead a low club from dummy and ruff with the jack of spades. You return to dummy with a trump to the king. Drawing West:

NORTH 13			
♠ K Q 8 5			
♥ K 6			
♦ 9			
♣ Q 7 6 4 3 2			
WEST EAST			
♠ 10 9 8	♠ A		
♥ Q J 10 7 3	♥ 9 8 5 4 2		
♦ K J 10 3	♦ 8 7 2		
♣ A	♣ J 10 9 8		
SOUTH (D)			
♠ A J 7 3 2			
♥ A			
♦ A Q 6 5 4			
♣ A K			
North-South vul			
South	West	North	East
2 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
5 ♠	Pass	6 ♠	Pass
7 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♥ Q			

last trump. You next ruff another low club with your last trump, thus establishing dummy's long suit.

The rest of the game is easy. You cash the ace of diamonds, ruff a diamond in the dummy, cash the queen of clubs, and fall the rest with established low clubs.

It's easy to see that the correct line of play is to set up dummy's clubs rather than your own diamonds. It is necessary also to provide against a 4-1 break in clubs. If you draw trumps before touching the clubs, you can't get to dummy often enough to ruff a club and then run the rest of the clubs.

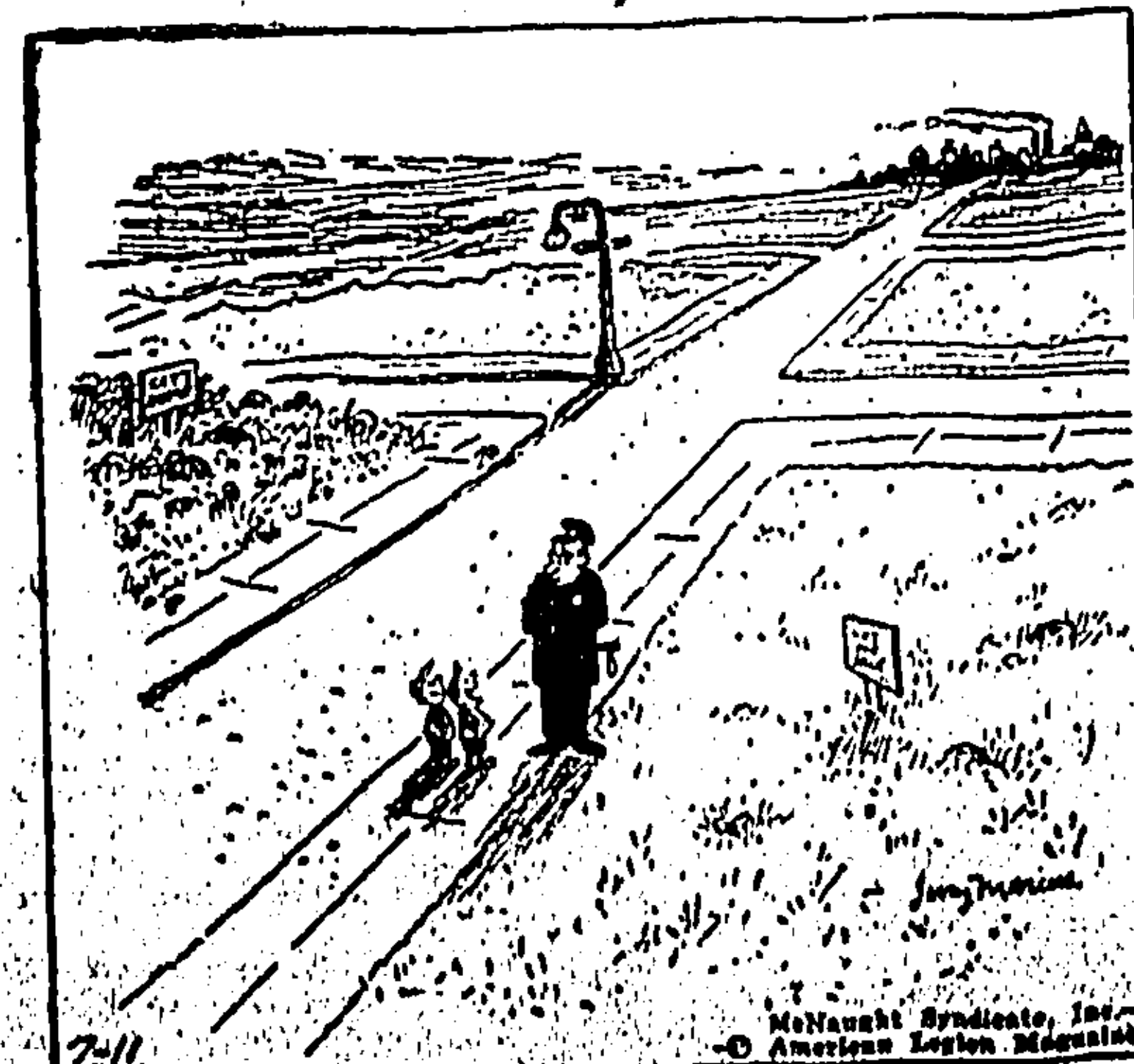
♥ CARD SENSE ♦

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been:
North East South West
1 Heart 2 Diamonds
You South hold:
♠ 7 4 2 ♠ A J 4 2 ♠ K Q J 3 2
What do you do?
A—Bid three hearts. You are a trifle light in high cards for this forcing bid, but the distribution is excellent.

TODAY'S QUESTION
The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
♠ 7 4 2 ♠ A J 4 2 ♠ K Q J 3 2
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

This Funny World



"Officer Gallagher, tell me the story of how you took off Captain Cassidy."

FLASH

Paris designer joins
band against that
hold-up-the-news ban

PARIS—Paris dress designer Manguin has announced she is quitting the designers' "union" (the Chambre Syndicale) because she objects to the ruling which forbids the publication of drawings and pictures of new fashions until a month after they have been shown. This follows the publication of Robb's drawings of Dior's autumn fashions less than 24 hours after they were seen at a by-invitation-only showing. The Paris evening paper, *France-Soir*, describes this as a "bombshell."

STORY BY JOY MATTHEWS

ALL you want is a man with a million. This time Mme Fath's collection was not just a rich man's fancy—it was an oil king's dream.

Hardly a model was seen without lashings of mink and Persian lamb, ermine, fox or beaver.

Mink-lined capes

The influence was clearly Russian but—dare we mention it?—White Russian.

Big Catherine-the-Great capes were trimmed with Persian lamb. One full-length black face-cloth cape was lined with natural mink (ideal for sleigh rides). Another, scarlet face-cloth, big enough to hide the biggest State secrets at the back, had a wide fox collar.

One showed a rather Red influence, however. It was a



trench coat lined with scarlet Persian lamb.

Another selection of coats was dead straight with fur collars and big bands of fur at the bottom about a foot-and-a-half wide. These were worn with high Russian hats.

There were capes of every description. Some were hip-length to cover the jacket of a suit. Others were attached to

the suit itself, more like a shawl but finished at the sleeves, so that the front of the jacket was uncovered.

There were three-quarter length capes and full-length evening capes and mantles. Many of them were trimmed in coloured Persian lamb, burnt

topaz, ruby, sapphire, emerald, and amethyst.

Back like a herald's

Many of the suits were cascaded with slightly longer jackets. These were in tweeds, Shellings and plaids, or face-cloth. The more formal ones had black plaid or velvet trimming.



DRAWINGS BY ROSE

A new invention was an extra back which either hung down like a herald's, or else was cut up into a martingale to give a blouse effect.

Day dresses were straight and there were career girls' day-dreams in black face-cloths. Others had high necks, three-quarter sleeves, bloused backs, belts, and straight skirts.

Late-day dresses were man-catchers. Some were low-necked velvet, trimmed with white fur (an involved combination). Others were sheaths, toga-sheaths draped over one shoulder or with tiers, flounces, or bows to give emphasis to a woman's form. Evening dresses were romantic with their own

LEFT TO RIGHT

- A blue sapphire velvet dress with draped-in waist and full skirt. Has a wide heron collar of white mink and a streamer end of matching velvet at the back.
- For a really dramatic entrance. An enormous red face-cloth cape sweeping over the shoulders and down the back.
- One of the many capes. This one, worn over a suit, is trimmed with Persian lamb.
- Dance dress in orange and black with loops over the skirt.

LOOK—TWO BACKS!

- Black face-cloth suit with an extra back that gives it a bloused look. Worn over a white ermine dress.
- A black face-cloth suit with a wide ermine collar and a long ermine train.

matching caps. Hats were straight from the Steppes.

Shoes were very pointed. Often they matched exactly the dress or jewellery on a dress. Evening shoes had jewelled heels.

Not a particularly staggering collection—but one with plenty of womanly common sense.

And if you have not got a man with a million—just try the ideas with rabbit. You may get one.

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

THAT so-called contortionist Mr. Colehouse was in court again yesterday. Asked by Mr. Gooseboote why he could not drape his legs round his neck without keeping his boots on, he made the curious reply that the presence of his boots on his feet made it easier to disentangle his legs from his neck. An expert witness, principal of the Nuggett Park School of Contortionism, testified that this was arrant nonsense. All his students, he said, came barefooted to their work, even in wet weather. Asked if Mr. Colehouse's trick was part of the curriculum in schools of contortionism, the principal said: "No. It is a voluntary activity, practised by some of the senior pupils in their own time." A psychiatrist deposed that a man who enjoyed tying himself in knots was probably brought up among sailors.

spokesman in touch with the Higher Criticism has said that "rubbish reception" would be a more refined and more accurate way of referring to that humble article. The dustman, I presume, will become a rubbish receptacle officer or refuse container operative. Even so, the dustbin would not be really in line with contemporary thought until each rubbish vehicle has a rubbish reception hostess attached to it.

Indeed, yes

An incongruous name can make a romance seem ridiculous. (Gossip column.)

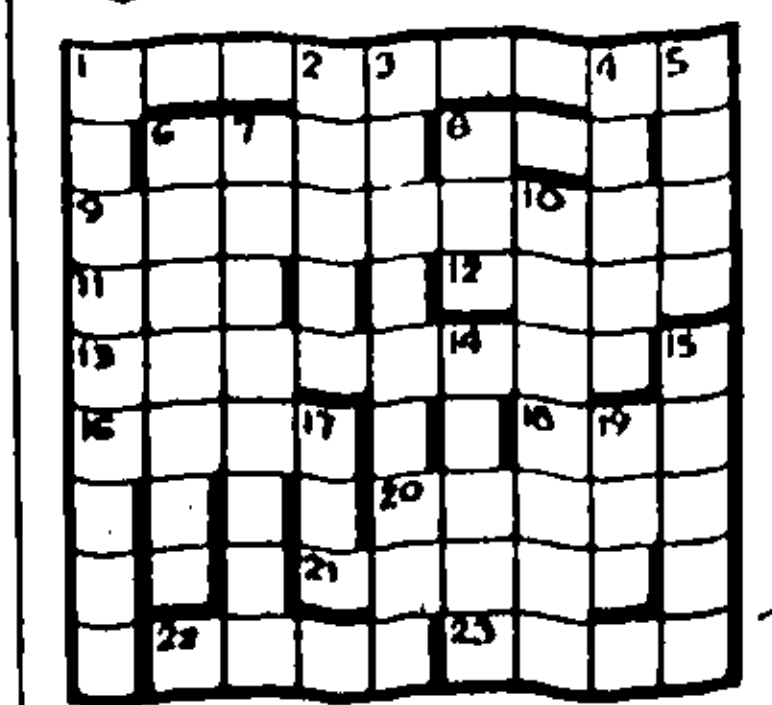
AS on the celebrated occasion when a young man said to his hostess: "Mr. Slobosden goes to my head like wine."

Oh, Mr Suet!

HASTILY signing a batch of letters placed before him by his new secretary, Suet failed to notice one which began: "Darling Rhoda." It was a letter written by his secretary to a friend in Section 143 (D) of the Ministry of Bubble-blowing. She had not had time to sign it, and had left it, by mistake, in Suet's batch. The reply startled Suet. It said: "You saucy old devil! Of course I'll meet you on Thursday."

Thanks most fearfully
PLEADING that it is not dust which is put in dustbins, a

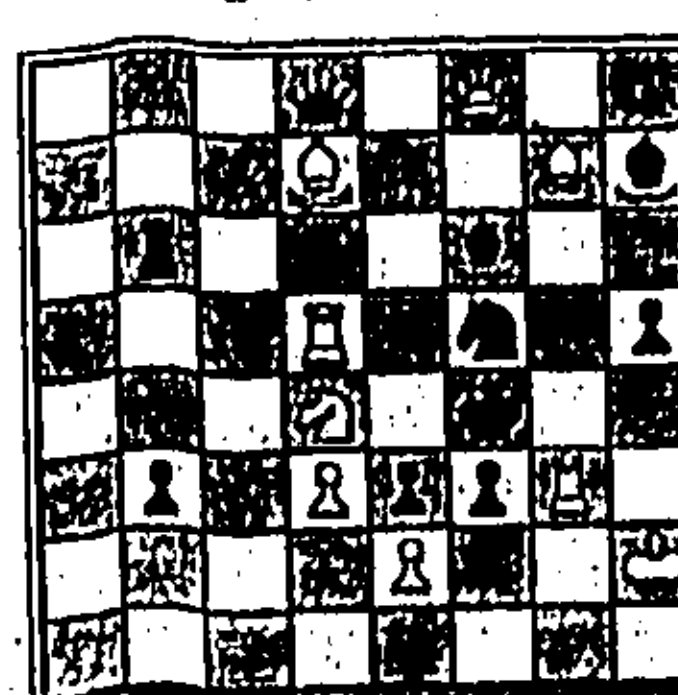
CROSSWORD



1. Hoe shrubs (Anag.). (4-6)
2. Linked with China—in a way. (4)
3. "— that's wet. . . ." (8)
4. Felt pain to 8 Across with 1. (5-6)
5. It's part of the machine. (5)
6. 22 returns. (4)
7. They move away from the coast. (5-6)
8. It makes a busy drink with gin. (4)
9. It's linked with order. (8)
10. It may be useful to sailors in a howling 12 Across. (5)
11. It's a scowp. (5)
12. 12 returns. (4)
13. Don't fall into this one. (4)
14. Down. (4)
15. 1st Hawk. 2. Blow up. (5)
16. It's a price as up in London. (4)
17. Packed for growing people! (5)
18. And seek makes game. (4)
19. That of a makes things dim. (5)
20. Gong Bude. (Anag.). (5-6)
21. You do this to a 23 Across to catch the little chower. (5)
22. He gives up art. (7)
23. I dreamed. (5)
24. I'm a marig. (5)
25. Irish one. (5)

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. PIATESI
Black, 10 pieces



White, 8 pieces.
White to play; mate in two.
Solution to Saturday's problem:
1. Kf-B3; threat 2. Kf-R3.
2. Kf-B3; 2. Q-QB1; 1. QP-K3; 2. Q-K1; 1. BxK1; 2. Q-QR1; 1. P-B4; 2. QxK1.

BOYS AND GIRLS

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LEAGUE BOWLS

SELDOM HAVE THE KCC BOWLERS BEEN LUCKIER THAN ON SATURDAY

Says "TOUCHER"

As expected, the First Division Lawn Bowls League title will not be decided until next Saturday when Kowloon Cricket Club will play off the deciding match against Recreio on their home green.

By defeating Indian Recreation Club "Gold" during the last week-end by four points to one the Cricket Club bowlers have now advanced into a favourable position where only three further points stand between them and Championship honours.

One title was, however, decided and congratulations go to the Filipino Club for becoming the 1956 Third Division Champions—a feat which not only gave the Filipino Club members cause for jubilation but also the next season's Lawn Bowls Association officials some head-scratching. Under the present rules, the Filipino Club will have to field three teams in the Second Division League next season.

For the Bowling Club it was real hard luck on their part to fall in this crucial game after their brilliant victory the previous week against the HKPSA. However, they could draw one consolation in that the newly-crowned Champions really played heads-up bowls to clinch the title with a 4-1 win over them.

Drawn against the Filipino Club four skipped by Francisco Tan, A. Hutton's Bowling Club four were 2-7 down at the end of the seventh head, but picked up to 8-10 by the 11th head.

SCORING STRIKE
In the next six successive heads, however, the Filipino Club combination went into a scoring spree, chalking up no fewer than 12 shots to lead by 22-9. A fighting rally by Hutton's four gave them a five, a single and a two to finish up even shots behind.

The same thing happened in the next round. After holding a 10-8 lead, Hutton's four took a downward plunge in the next four heads, losing a five, a single and two threes to allow the Filipino bowlers to forge ahead to 17-9 and eventually end up with a comfortable 30-18 score.

The only KBGC four who played well up to form were A. Buchanan, G. Gordon, L. Parker and C. Askew. At one stage they enjoyed a 19-6 lead and looked as if they would be able to carry the side through.

The strong finish of the Filipino bowlers was again in evidence here. A single, a four, a two and a three took them to 10-19 and all hopes of a KBGC victory vanished into thin air as the home Club four just managed to scramble home with only two shots to spare.

THRILLING AFFAIR
The First Division match between Kowloon Cricket Club and Indian Recreation Club was a thrilling affair. The match was played to a crowd of standing room only in Peiping's new stadium, the broadest said.

The Czech team which placed third in a recent European women's championships, arrived in Peiping on August 8 for a three-match series with Chinese teams.—United Press.

RUGGER VICTORY
Buenos Aires, Aug. 12. The Combined Oxford and Cambridge Universities rugby team, beat San Isidro Athletic Club by 21 points to three here today. They led 11-0 at half-time.—Reuter.

AT REGULAR PRICES

"Gold" was a thrilling affair all the way.

The Kowloonites had been lucky perhaps in a few matches during this season, but never more so than in this game. Almost up to the 10th head they were on the verge of a 4-1 defeat, only to be saved by a brilliant shot by 13th Gaffney.

Kowloon Cricket Club took to the green with a surprising line-up, which saw Gaffney having his usual four, but Hong Sling having Jack Chubb, Charlie Thompson and Farley Kernan as his front men. Their third four, consisting of S. Y. Doe, Tony Alves, John Tang and Dick Rossetti were evidently the sacrificial lambs in this match.

With Hong Sling down against Adal, Dick Rossetti against Sherry Bucks and Gaffney against Barney Abbas, it looked at the beginning as if the odds were in favour of the Indians to win by a 4-1 margin and that the deciding factor would be the result of the game between the four skipped by Gaffney and Abbas.

This turned out to be the case almost up to the 10th head. On the 15th head, Bucks was leading Rossetti by 12-6 and Hong Sling held almost the same margin of lead on Adal. Abbas then had a 17-12 lead over Gaffney.

A strong late rally by the Kowloonites saw Rossetti succeed with a beautiful drive which took away two shot wickets at a time to give his four a count of five. Almost immediately Gaffney took a four from Abbas to close up the gap to 10-17, and Rossetti followed up with another four to narrow his deficit to 15-18.

DIFFERENCE OF NINE
While Hong Sling was slowly increasing his lead by singles, the deciding tussle between Gaffney and Abbas reached a thrilling climax on the 19th head. With his opponents leading by 21-16 and lying two shots about eight inches in front of the jack slightly on the back-hand side, leaving about three-quarters of the jack exposed, the KCC front men all went through from one to two yards behind on a tricky forward draw.

With not a single backwood behind, Abbas came in with a heavy draw on the backhand, either to push his own woods through or go through himself to mix up with three or four KCC backwoods.

His first wood got deflected towards the jack and came into the count. Gaffney went inches past the jack on the forehand. Left with the alternative of either putting in a short forehand blocker or a backwood, Abbas chose the latter and again went on the backhand only to see the same thing happening to his second wood, which whizzed off towards the jack for the fourth shot.

With his last wood, Gaffney got the jack full, trailing it

almost a yard for a count of five. That head made a difference of nine shots!

The KCC four followed this up with a three on the 20th head to practically clinch the issue and made sure of their win with a single on the last head.

Only two heads were played off yesterday in the semi-finals of the Colony Open Rink Championship. A heavy shower made further play impossible and the semi-finalists will continue on a date to be fixed from where they left off. George Souza's four were then leading A. V. Lopes' four by 3-1, and O. R. Sadek's four were 3-0 up on Hong Sling's four.

HOW THEY STAND

First Division	P	W	L	Pts
KCC	14	11	3	49
KRC	13	10	3	46
IRC "Blues"	14	9	5	44
Recreio	13	8	5	36
KBGC	14	6	8	32½
Takoo	14	5	9	28
IRC "Gold"	14	3	11	20½
FC	14	3	11	19
Second Division	P	W	L	Pts
KCC "Blue"	14	14	0	62½
HKFC	14	8	6	41½
USBC	14	9	5	41
Recreio	14	9	5	41
CCC	13	7	6	36
KCC	12	7	5	36
PRC	14	5	9	30½
KCC "Whites"	14	5	9	29½
HKCC	14	6	8	26
FC	13	3	10	14
POC	12	1	11	11
Third Division	P	W	L	Pts
FC	14	10	4	49
HKPSA	14	10	4	49
KBGC	13	9	4	43½
CCC	13	8	5	39½
HKFC	14	6	8	35½
HKERC	14	5	9	27½
KCC	14	3	11	16½
PRC	14	3	11	14½

Russian Woman Sets New World Pentathlon Mark

Moscow, Aug. 12. Nina Vinogradova, of Leningrad, today broke the world record for the Women's Pentathlon with 4,707 points—77 better than the previous record held by her compatriot, Alexan. drine Chudina.

It was the first world record during the track and field events of the Spartakiad, the Russian Olympic trials, in Moscow's New Lenin Stadium.—Reuter.

The European record holder, Leonid Scherbakov, today won the Hop, Step and Jump event at the Soviet Spartakiad in Moscow with 16,311 points (43 feet 6½ inches).

Otto Grizalka won the Discus event with a throw of 52.51 metres (172 feet 3½ inches). Ardalion Ignatiev won the 200 metres event in 21.2 seconds. Details of today's world Pentathlon record set up by Nina Vinogradova are as follows: Shot Put—13.23 metres (43 feet 8¾ inches). High Jump—1.57 metres (5 feet 1¾ inches). 200 Metres—25.4 seconds. 80 Metres Hurdles—10.9 seconds. Long Jump—5.88 metres (19 feet 3½ inches).—France-Press.

Czechs Down Peiping Cagers With Big Score

Tokyo, Aug. 13. A visiting Czechoslovakian National Women's basketball team in its debut in Peiping downed a Chinese team 87 to 39 Sunday evening, Radio Peiping reported.

The match was played to a crowd of standing room only in Peiping's new stadium, the broadest said.

The Czech team which placed third in a recent European women's championships, arrived in Peiping on August 8 for a three-match series with Chinese teams.—United Press.

THE CAGED CADDIES OF JAPAN



In this largest of Japanese cities there is a People's Golf Course for factory workers. Budding golfers pay only 250 yen—about 2s. 6d.—for a whole day's play. There are driving ranges of 100 yards and 200 yards, and each range can take up to 30 golfers who wish to improve their driving. They can tee off as many balls as they like, and caddies, protected by chicken wire frames, recover the balls. Picture left shows golfers in practice. The course is equipped with floodlights, to enable some to play at night at work's end. Picture right shows caddies—well-protected by chicken wire—recovering the balls.—Express Photo.

He's Eager To Tackle First Division Stars

By JOHN MACADAM

How does it feel to be the man who has steered a football team from the seemingly eternal doldrums of the Second Division into the company of the great ones of the First?

Pretty good, if the restrained confidence of Horatio Carter, manager of Leeds United, and one of the greatest ball-players of all time, is any criterion.

And how does it feel to have, as the fulcrum of your plan, a 24-year-old giant Wales skipper John Charles, probably the greatest individual footballer in the world today?

Why, pretty good, too.

REALLY GREAT

"Big John is one of the greatest," Raich Carter repeats the word, happily. "A real ball-player can play in any position and that applies absolutely to Charles. He will lead our attack and all our planning will be around him."

"This is not to say that we are a one-man side. On the contrary, we have a lot of football right through the team. There were one or two people who say that we played too much football last season. But, of course, I don't hold with that at all. You can't have too much football."

"Our lads were playing it all the time and—well, we got back to the First Division. It was done with classy football and, while I am here, it will continue to be so. How could it be otherwise, anyway, with a player like John Charles in the side?"

SUPPLY COLOUR
The compact Elland Road ground is a picture with extra seating under cover, and a smooth, green playing surface that looks as if it had been bought at Thurston's notorious for colour," says Raich Carter. "With this ground and our football and first-class opposition, we aim to supply quite a bit."

"And the frail-looking, white-jacketed footballing ambassador gives a determined grin."

He runs four teams and, with no bulging moneybags, has to produce his own stars.

"All the lads have come up from our juniors," he says, "which is as it should be. Charles came up that way with the rest."

The big spearhead is cock-a-hoop at the prospect of constant competition in the top class.

"I was only 16 when I came here from Swansea," he says, "and, like every other young-

ster it has never ceased to be my ambition to play in the First Division. Now I've realised it and am I happy about it?"

Despite the fact that he will be again the schemer and leader of the attack, the big fellow has never lost his desire to be a centre-half.

The astonishing versatility of Charles was demonstrated within a few moments of our conversation.

When he ran on to the practice ground to take part in a game with the youngsters he played in goal—and brilliantly at that. He kept for the high ones, tipped some expertly over the bar, went full-length on the ground, clutched them to his chest, and distributed his clearances with the accuracy of one who did nothing else!

He is a phenomenon and gives absolutely no appearance of knowing it, a natural leader and gentleman about whom you

will never hear a sour word at Elland Road, or in the city of Leeds or, for that matter, anywhere in football.

TO KEEP FIT

He plays golf, tennis, basketball, and cricket for the United XI, and lives quietly with his Leeds-born wife Peggy and their two children, Terry (2) and Melvyn (6 months) at Morley, a little way off from the ground.

"I'm not much of a gardener," he confesses, "but I do a bit of that too just to keep the place tidy."

Another phenomenon is Raich Carter himself. He strips and goes out for the youngsters' practice games, coasting through of course, but still ready to let fly the through ball that splits defences, and always able to bring out that characteristic burst of the mark.

Will it be Lucky Leeds again? At least, they are very United.

MOTOR RACING

Frenchman Wins Swedish Grand Prix On A Ferrari

Kristianstad, Aug. 12. France's Maurice Trintignant today won the Swedish Grand Prix race for sports cars on a Ferrari, covering the 153 laps, about 1,000 kilometres, in six hours, 33 minutes and 47.1 seconds.

Ferrari won the world championships for sports car builders after today's race.

Ferrari won the championships when no Maserati remained in the race. Ferrari had already a lead in the world championship on points before the race as Maserati was its only near rival.

The first Maserati, driven jointly by France's Jean Behra and Britain's Stirling Moss, burst into flames and burned out during refuelling at the pits. Behra covered 100 laps before drawing into the pits for refuelling. He had taken from Moss at the 61st lap.

Moss took over another Maserati and shortly after his car also burst into flames. The third Maserati crashed earlier in the race.

Phill Hill of the United States was co-driver of the winning car.

THIRD FERRARI
Third was Mike Hawthorn (Britain), the Marquis De Portago (Spain) and Duncan Hamilton (Britain) on a third Ferrari in 6 hours, 34 minutes, 38.7 seconds for 152 laps.

Fourth was Peter Whitehead (Britain) and Graham Whitehead (Britain) on a Jaguar, who covered 145 laps in 6 hours, 33 minutes and 50.6 seconds.

Fifth was another Jaguar, driven by Olaf Persson (Sweden), R. Tappan (United States) and Frazer (United States) who covered 138 laps in six hours, 34 minutes and 16.6 seconds.—France-Press.

Milwaukee Braves Retain Lead In National League Pennant Race

New York, Aug. 12.

The Milwaukee Braves retained their 1½-game lead in the torrid National League pennant race today when they defeated the Cincinnati Redlegs, 8-2, behind Lew Burdette's five-hit pitching.

The Braves, who have beaten the Redlegs eight times in 12 meetings this season, backed Burdette with an eight-hit attack that included two-run singles by Bull Bruton and Bobby Thomson. Burdette struck out three in registering his 14th win and his third over the Redlegs.

Brooks Lawrence was kayed in 5.2/3 innings and suffered his fifth defeat against 10 triumphs. He has dropped five of his last seven decisions.

Brooklyn Dodgers beat the Philadelphia Phillies 7-3. Carl Furillo hit two homers and Randy Jackson and P. Reese one each to help Roger Craig to his 11th triumph.

The Pittsburgh Pirates pushed the New York giants deeper into the cellar with 3-2 and 11-3 triumphs. Vernon Law won his fifth game with the aid of Bill Virdon's two-run triple in the eighth inning of the opener and then the Pirates slammed out 17 hits off three Giant pitchers in the nightcap.

Bob Rush scored his 11th win of the season when the Chicago Cubs downed the St. Louis Cardinals, 6-2, and then the teams battled to a scoreless tie halted by darkness in the nightcap.

Jim Kling delivered a homer and a bases-filled single to lead the Cubs' attack in the first game. Herman Wehner and Jim Davis matched goose eggs in the second game.

RECORD PACE

Mickey Mantle hit his 41st homer and went 13 games ahead of Babe Ruth's record pace as the New York Yankees beat the Baltimore Orioles, 6-2 and 4-2, to stretch their American League margin to 8½ games. Mantle's homer came with one on in the opener and Mickey also scored the decisive run in the second game on Bill Skowron's single. Don Larsen and Tom Morgan picked up the victories.

Herb score struck out 14 batters and Rocky Colavito walloped a three-run homer to give the Cleveland Indians a 6-3 triumph over the Kansas City Athletics. Colavito's homer came in the eighth inning, snapping a 3-3 deadlock and leaving Low Krelow his sixth victory.

The Detroit Tigers beat the Chicago White Sox to a 5-2 win. Billy Pierce suffered his fifth defeat against 17 wins.

Bud Byerly scored his first American League win as Washington Senators downed the Boston Red Sox, 8-2. Jim Lenoir blasted his 20th homer for the Nationals, who have beaten the Red Sox nine times in 13 games.—United Press.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis R H E
Chicago 0 7 1
Wehner and Katt, Cooper (7), Davis and Chitt, Landrith (9).

(First Game)
St. Louis R H E
Chicago 2 0 0
Blylock, McDaniell (3), Liddie (5), Konstanty (7) and Cooper, Rush (11-5) and Chitt, LP-Blylock (0-4). HRS-Chitt (9th), Irvin (13th).

New York R H E
Pittsburgh 2 0 0
Gomez, Ridzik (2), Wilhelm (6) Grissom (8) and Sami, Law (5-13) and Folles, LP-Gomez (6-12).

Cincinnati R H E
Milwaukee 2 5 1
Lawrence, Gross (3), Fowler (5), Acker (6), Black (7) and

Bailey, Burdette (14-7) and Rice, LP-Lawrence (10-5). HRS-Post (21st).

(Second Game)
New York R H E
Pittsburgh 11 17 1
McCall, Ridzik (5), Wilhelm (8) and Westrum, Waters, Face (8) and Folles, WP-Waters (2-1). LP-McCall (8-4). HRS-Mays (19th).

(Second Game)
Chicago R H E
Detroit 2 8 0
Pierce, Lapaine (7) and Lollar, Hoel (14-9) and Wilson, LP-Pierce (17-5). HRS-Bolling (3rd).

(Second Game)
Baltimore R H E
New York 4 7 2
Wright (6-10) and Triandos, Smith (5), Turley, Byrne (5), Morgan (5) and Berra, WP-Morgan (4-5).—United Press.

French Swimmers For Pre-Olympic Training Course

Paris, Aug. 12. Jean Boiteux, winner of the 100 metres free-style event at the 1952 Helsinki Olympics, and Gilbert Bozon, second in the 100 metres backstroke event at Helsinki, were among the swimmers chosen by the French swimming authorities tonight to follow a pre-Olympic training course at Bordeaux in October.

Others chosen for the pre-Olympic course were: Alex Jany (former world record holder for the 100 metres and 200 metres free-style); Aldo Eminent (100 metres free-style specialist); Guy Montserret (sprint and middle-distance); Robert Christophe (backstroke); Rene Pirelly (butterfly breaststroke); Michel Treillet (100 and 200 metres free-style); and middle-distance free-style relay-men Collignon, Gerard, Gerard Colnol and Hugues Broussard.

Selected for the ladies' events were: Heda Forst, Odile Vouaux, Ginette Sendral-Jany, Collette Thomas, Yvianne Gouverneur and Marie-Helene Andre.

Nicole Pelissard and Christian Pire have been selected for the Ladies' and Men's diving events respectively.—France-Press.

ATHLETICS
Four German Girls Equal Russian Relay Record

Erfurt, Germany, Aug. 12. Four German girls today equalled the 17-day-old Russian record in the 400-metre-relay, covering the distance in 45.2 seconds at Erfurt, Eastern Germany, track and field meet.

East German reports said Gisela Henning, Christa Stuback, Gisela Koehler and Baelbel Meyer did the new record performance under nearly ideal conditions. The four girls on July 29, had broken the 440-yard and 880-yard relay records during a meeting at Rostock with 45.8 and 1:36.4 respectively.

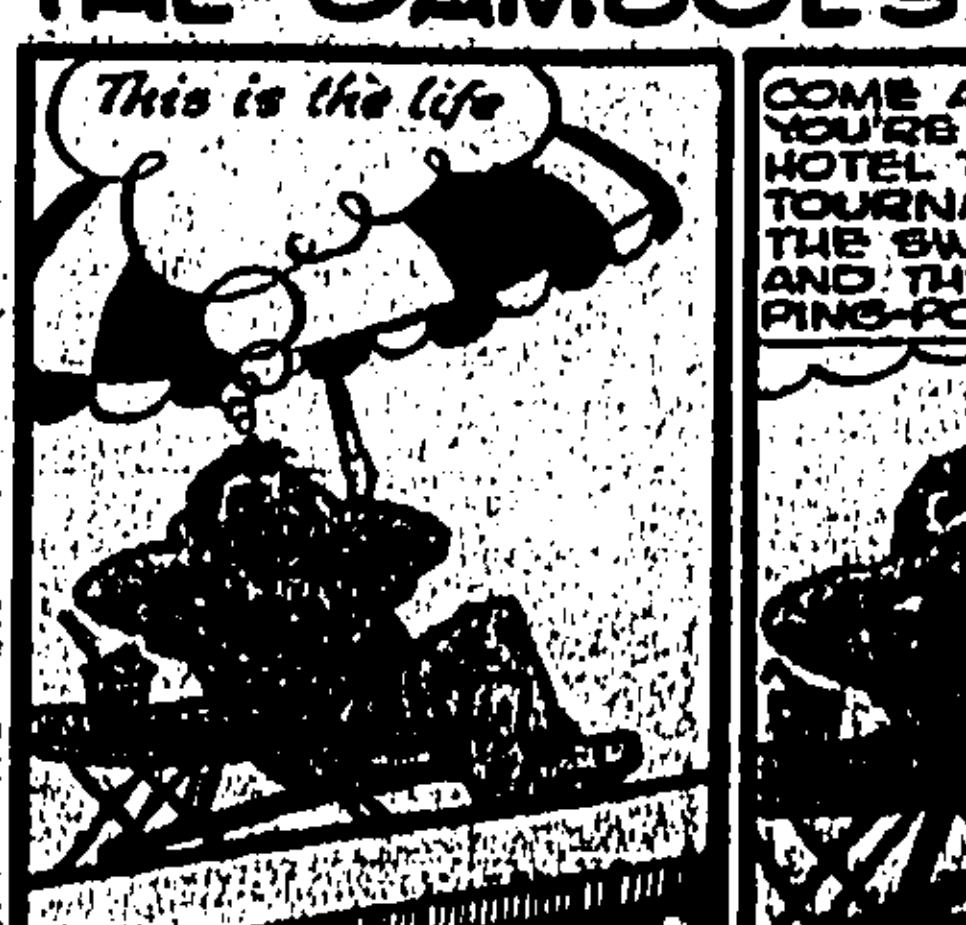
The Russian girls Vera Krepkina-Kalashnikova, Olga Koshelova, Maria Iktina and Lina Botcharovna-Turva, set their record on July 24, at Kiev, bettering the old record of 45.6 also held by a Russian team.—United Press.

World Class Performances By Polish Athletes

Paris, Aug. 12. Kazimierz Kropidowski today beat the Polish national record for the Long Jump at an athletics meeting at Spala near Lodz with 45.8 and 1:36.4 respectively.

Another Polish record fell at Spala today when Tadeusz Rut threw the Hammer 62.70 metres (205 feet 8½ inches).—France-Press.

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DEATHS
ALVES—Angela (Arreli) Bonina de
Solvay, died at 10.30 a.m. to-
day 13th August, 1956, aged 53.
Funeral arrangements will be
announced later.

STAMPS
STAMP ALBUMS — "Collection
Builder" series. New stock now
available. 25, From South China
Morning Post Ltd., Wyndham Street
and Sallybury Road, Kowloon.

NOTICE
THE SHEK O
DEVELOPMENT
COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that the Annual
General Meeting of Share-
holders will be held in the
Board Room of Messrs.
Jardine, Matheson & Co.,
Ltd., Hong Kong, on Friday,
31st August, 1956, at 12 noon
for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors,
passing the Accounts for the
Year ended 31st March, 1956,
and electing Directors and
Auditors.

By Order of the Board
MARTIN & CO.,
Secretaries.

HONG KONG, 13th August,
1956.

NOTICE
THE SHEK O COUNTRY
CLUB

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that the Annual
General Meeting of THE
SHEK O COUNTRY CLUB
will be held at the
Club House, Shek O, on
Friday the 31st August 1956,
at 6.15 p.m. for the purpose
of receiving the Report of
the Committee for the year
ended 31st March, 1956 and
to elect the Committee for
the ensuing year.

Nominations for the new
Committee must be in the
hands of the Secretaries not
later than Friday, the 24th
August, 1956.

Week-day Members are
cordially invited to attend
the Meeting.

By Order of the General
Committee
MARTIN & CO.,
Secretaries.

HONG KONG, 13th August,
1956.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

"AOAPENOR"
Damaged cargo ex this vessel will
be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard &
Douglas at 10th's Wharf from 10
a.m. on August 14 and 15, 1956, and
consignees are requested to have
their representatives present during
the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 11, 1956.

To ADVERTISERS

SUNDAY POST HERALD
Space for commercial
advertising should be
booked, not later than
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MORNING POST and the
CHINA MAIL, 48 hours
before date of publication.
Special Announcements
and Classified Advertis-
ments as usual.

SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Radio Link Along
Iranian Pipeline

A British company is to build a complete
VHF radio system along the length of a new
600-mile oil pipeline from Abadan to Teheran. The
pipeline crosses some of Iran's toughest country.
Value of the contract is reported to be £800,000.

Equipment to be supplied in-
cludes 84 VHF multi-channel
sets.
Four principal stations along
the route are to be sited at
Abadan, Ahwaz, Azna and
Teheran. Switchboards will be
provided at each station, with
six circuit connection.

Automatic
Feed Of
Screws

New equipment for
automatically feeding
screws to the head of a
portable driving tool is
being produced under the
trade name Pneuma-
Serve. It is operated
from the normal factory
compressed-air supply at
a pressure between 70 to
90 pounds per square inch.

The device consists of a
hopper holding a supply of
screws (enough for five to eight
hours operating), with an
elevator and magazine where
they are selected individually
and delivered to a cut-off
plate or shuttle.

Compressed-air feeds the
screws from the shuttle to the
portable driving-head through a
tough plastic tube.

The driving-head may be at-
tached to any standard power-
driver.

If an air-driver is used, an
armoured plastic tube is coupled
alongside the feed-tube, or
flexible cable of an electric-
driver is preferred.

A third line, connecting the
head to the hopper is a signal-
tube which synchronises the
operation of the hopper with
that of the driving-head.

The driving-head is fully
mobile up to 20 feet (six
metres) from the hopper and
can operate at any angle.

The machine can be produced
to drive screws of large variety
up to 1 1/4 inch maximum length.

Advantages claimed for the
tool is that screws can be
driven four times faster than by
conventional methods; that it
eliminates handling of screws,
reduces wastage and operator
fatigue. Firm: Guest, Keen and
Nethelands (Midlands) Ltd.,
Screw Division, Box 24, Heath
Street, Birmingham, 48, Eng-
land.

Polishing
And Waxing
Machine

A new heavy duty
"vitrifier," designed
primarily for the car body
trade, has, it is claimed,
many other applications.
It is the 7-inch polishing
and waxing machine by
Black and Decker Ltd.,
Harmondsworth, Middle-
sex, England.

A cushion pad is supplied as
standard equipment, and when
used with the appropriate rubbing
compound, the machine effec-
tively provides a finish to new
cellulose.

The vitrification fluid with
the lambawool polishing wheel
quickly removes road film from
coachwork, giving a brilliant
lustre and covering the cellulose
with a hard "vitrified" coat
without damaging or scratching
the paint, say the makers.

In addition, the machine is
useful for polishing and wax-
ing metal, wood furniture,
panels, boat hulls and similar
purposes.

The new tool incorporates
heart-treatment spiral-bevel gears
with grease-sealed ball bear-
ings which require no periodic
lubrication; exhaust air from
the motor is deflected away
from the operator; the handles
are designed for comfort, and
the side handle can be mounted
either right or left.

A new type 720-watt motor
is fitted, and the weight of the
tool is only 12 1/2 pounds.
Standard equipment includes
three 7-inch wheels, detachable side
handle, two 1/2-inch, standard, and
one 3/4-inch, interchangeable, metal
discs.

All the other painting
stations along the line will
have radio-telephones com-
municating with one of the
main stations. A telephone
circuit to all pumping stations
will be built. In time, avail-
able speech channels will be
increased to eleven, while an-
other twelve can be provided
if needed.

Most of the stations along the
route will be unattended, each
being completely self-contained,
with its own diesel-electric
power supply.

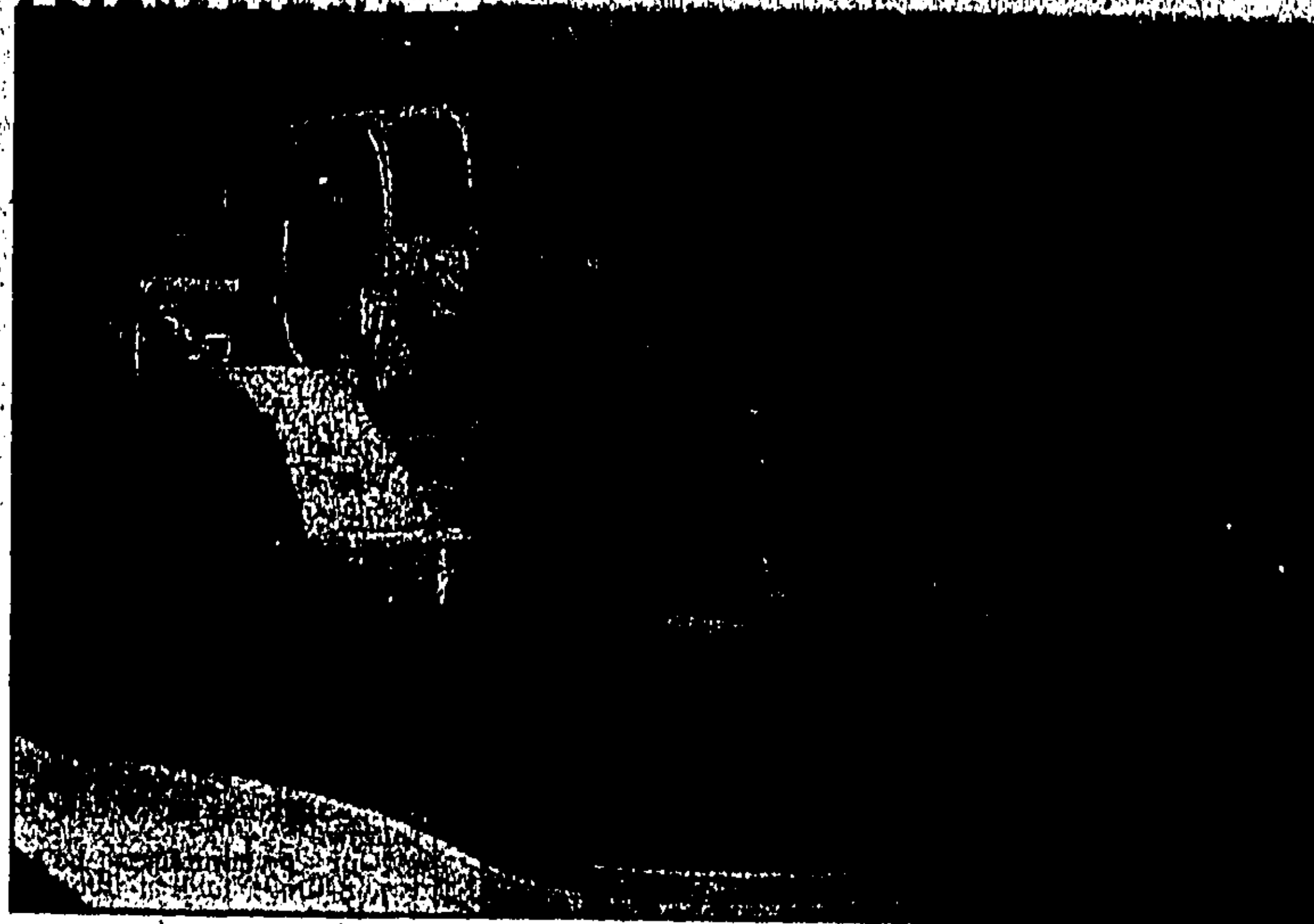
Spare plant will automatically
switch on if any radio equip-
ment of power supply breaks
down, and a message will be
radioed to the nearest manned
station. Unmanned stations
will need visiting only once a
month to replenish the oil-fuel.

The company's engineers,
who carried out a detailed
survey of the route earlier this
year, reported that the climate
and geographic conditions were
among the toughest they had
encountered.

Temperatures along the pipe-
line can range from 120 degrees
F in the shade to -20 degrees
F. The terrain of the centre
section is particularly rugged
and inhospitable—one selected
site is 8,000 feet above sea level.

Blizzards and gales were fre-
quent. On one occasion a truck
was nearly blown over a
precipice, on another the cold
was so intense that the truck's
radiator froze although filled
with antifreeze. Wolves and
brown bears were frequently
encountered.

Marconi's Wireless Telegraph
Co., Ltd., Chesham, Essex,
England.



This mechanical pump called the "Loadmaster 500" and which has hydraulically operated power steering was featured among the exhibits at the Fifth Mechanical Handling Exhibition in London. Powered by a diesel engine the Loadmaster is made available with inter-changeable scoops in 11 different sizes. It is also able to operate a wide range of light bulldozers, and is especially suitable for loading and light excavation work. Manufacturers: Chas. E. Engineering Co. Ltd., Station Works, Hertford, Herts, England.

WIDE RANGE OF RADIO EQUIPMENT

Murphy Radio Ltd. of Welwyn
Garden City, Hertfordshire, had
a good range of sets at the
radio Exhibition backed by
a world-wide overseas technical
service. The receivers included
a 7-valve mains superhet and
its battery equivalent, a battery
model which reduces con-
sumption when the volume
control is low, a competitively-
priced 5-valve mains superhet
with a six-foot (1.83 metres)
"throw out" aerial, and a 9-
valve luxury set with ten push-
buttons for instant waveband
selection.

Bush Radio Ltd. of Power
Road, London, W4 markets, a
vibrator for use with its export
battery sets, in addition to a
range of superhet mains re-
ceivers, and the export depart-

ment of E. K. Cole Ltd. (Ekeo
Works, Southend-on-Sea) show-
ed 8-valve and 7-valve
superhets with extensive wave-
band coverage. Ferguson re-
ceivers (Thorn Electrical In-
dustries Ltd., 105-109 Judd
Street, London, WC1) ranged
from a 5-valve 3-waveband
superhet for AC/DC mains (and
a battery equivalent) to a 7-
valve 5-waveband receiver
specially designed for reliable
long-distance reception, as well
as radiograms.

EXPANDING OUTPUT

Kolster-Brandes Ltd. Foots-
cray, Sidcup, Kent, had con-
solidated table television models
for AC mains in a range from
110 to 270 volts for 525 or 625-

line systems, a ten-waveband
sound receiver for world histori-
ing, and a "magic mirror" with
fully tropicalised cabinet and
chassis in a one-piece natural
plastic cabinet.

These and only some of the
very big selection of export
models made by companies
throughout the industry, which
has been expanding its output
continuously. Total output of
all types of radio receivers, in-
cluding radiograms and car
radios, reached 1,189,400 in the
first half of 1955, against
863,977 in the comparable 1954
period. Television set output
exceeded 776,000 (508,700). Ex-
ports of domestic radio receivers
in January-June were slightly
over 150,000, and little changed
on the year.

STROBOSCOPES FOR
THE FAR EAST

THE demand for modern electronic
measuring equipment has increased
considerably during the past few years in
the Far East.

Simple and robust instru-
ments, which can be used by
semi-skilled workers, are
especially useful. This has led
to the popularity of the range
of equipment made by Dawe
Instruments Ltd., London.

One of the instruments made
by this firm is the ultrasonic
thickness gauge, which can
measure the thickness of
materials of which only one
side is accessible. This can be
done in a matter of minutes by
anyone after brief instructions,
and the readings are guaranteed
to be accurate to within 3 per
cent.

This gauge is used for
checking corrosion in chemical
plant, ships, boilers, pipes,
tanks and other structures
which cannot be easily
measured with conventional
mechanical gauges.

Another important industrial
aid is the range of strobos-
copes. These are lamps which
do not burn continuously, but
flash at a regular rate which
is adjustable within wide
limits.

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If a stroboscope is directed
at a rotating or reciprocating
part and its flash rate is ad-
justed to the rate of operation
of the mechanism under ob-
servation, this mechanism will
be brightly illuminated at the
same point in each operating
cycle and will therefore appear
to be "frozen" or stationary.
When this happens, the speed
of the stroboscope and of the
mechanism are identical and
the speed can be simply read
off the calibrated speed control
knob of the stroboscope. This
is a very simple, quick and
accurate method of measuring
rotational and reciprocating
speed.

If the flash rate of the
stroboscope is set slightly
slower than the operating speed
of the mechanism, the latter
will appear to operate in slow
motion. This is most useful for
examining such things as brush
chatter on electric motors, valve
bounce on petrol engines, the
action of sewing machines, and

the correct functioning of al-
most any type of high-speed
machinery ranging from the
printing to the textile industry.

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Stroboscopes of various flash
intensities are available and
there are also special models,
such as the Stroboloom for the
textile industry, the Ministrobe
for simple duties, the Mains
Frequency Stroboscope for
studying slip on synchronous
motors, and many others in use
throughout the world. Several
have recently been delivered to
Singapore and Hongkong for
general maintenance duties,
while Dawe stroboscopes are
used in India and Pakistan for
most of the applications
described above.

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The latest times of posting
shown below are those for un-
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ing parcel mail can be ascer-
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MONDAY, AUGUST 18
Thailand, 8 a.m.; India, Pakistan,
Middle East, Africa, Great Britain &
Europe, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19
Japan & Canada, 3 p.m.
Macao, 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20
Peking, Shanghai, Kuning, Har-
bin, 1 a.m.; India, Pakistan,
Thailand, Cambodia, 10 a.m.

Indo-China, France, 11 a.m.
6 p.m.; Burma, Australia, New Zealand,
Nepal, 8 p.m.

Philippines, 3 p.m.
Thailand, India, India, Pakistan,
Middle East, Africa, Great Britain,
Europe, 6 p.m.

Philippines, N. Borneo, 6 p.m.
Japan, 8 p.m.

China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.

Philippines, 3 p.m.
Korea, 4 p.m.
Macao, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21
By Surface:
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
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By Air:
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22
By Surface:
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.

By Air:
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.

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TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Suez Canal Crisis Impact On Oil Industry

MORE ATTENTION WILL BE PAID TO NATURAL GAS RESOURCES

By HARRY W. FRANTZ

Washington, Aug. 12.

The Suez Canal crisis, even if amicably settled, will have a tremendous and revolutionary impact on the petroleum industry of the entire world, according to government experts today.

An early reaction will be greater attention to the natural gas resources in many oil-producing countries, it is said.

The mere possibility that the Eastern oil situation might be interrupted through the Suez Canal might be interrupted stirred expert interest in strategic, transport, and technological aspects of the world oil situation.

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America Thinking About Trade With Saudi Arabia

By HARRY W. FRANTZ

Washington, Aug. 12.

The large and growing commerce between the United States and Saudi Arabia is among the factors which influence this country toward a moderate course and an amicable settlement of the Suez Canal crisis.

The Suez situation causes a somewhat uncertain feeling in the commercial circles concerning volume of trade in coming months, but prior to the current crisis all reports and statistics had inspired optimism concerning the prospects for a record year in 1956.

Despite the uneasiness about a possible temporary interruption of traffic at Suez, which would have political ramifications throughout the Arab countries, experts here are expecting continued extraordinary progress in Saudi Arabia's economic development. This will be progressively reflected in United States-Saudi Arabian commercial relations.

Parallel with the progressive development of the Saudi Arabian oilfields, United States imports from Saudi Arabia have climbed from \$2,481,000 in 1947 to a peak of \$66,800,000 in 1954.

Larger Imports

They declined to \$58,957,000 in 1955, but the larger imports of crude petroleum from Saudi Arabia in first five months of 1956 foreshadowed a probable new record for year 1956.

Because of tremendous shipments of machinery, equipment and miscellaneous materials for petroleum development, United States exports to Saudi Arabia have long exceeded the value of imports, but the trend in the last few years has been toward a favourable merchandise balance for Saudi Arabia. This will continue as United States expands imports of crude petroleum.

In 1955, United States imports from Saudi Arabia were valued at \$66,800,000, and exports to Saudi Arabia were \$70,572,000.

In 1954, exports were \$43,380,000 and imports were \$58,957,000.

In first quarter of 1956, United States imports of crude petroleum from Saudi Arabia were 7,454,300 barrels valued at \$7,362,843 compared to \$7,362,843 barrels valued at \$18,543,000 in January-March period 1955.

In April, imports were 3,273,465 barrels valued at \$7,362,843 compared to 2,692,623 barrels valued at \$4,918,000 in April 1955.

In May, imports were 2,078,884 barrels valued at \$7,362,843 compared to 2,078,884 barrels valued at \$7,362,843 in May 1955.

According to an official dispatch, American (Arabian

American Oil Co.) in Saudi Arabia established in the month of May a new all-time record for crude petroleum production, with average of 1,121,298 barrels per calendar day. Previous record was 1,054,000 barrels daily in April 1955, and 1,041,000 barrels daily in November 1955.

This tremendous oil production was accompanied by a building construction boom in Saudi Arabia, governmental programmes for civic improvements in several cities, highway programmes, sanitary improvements and other activities which would normally lead to a higher volume of imports from the United States.

United States exports to Saudi Arabia have diversified with the markets for a wide variety of automotive products, building materials, electrical goods, and even foodstuffs. But Japan, Germany, Switzerland and other European countries have offered stiffening competition to the United States export traders.

Long List

Industrial machinery \$11,704,000; electrical machinery and apparatus \$4,424,000; automobiles, parts and accessories \$2,584,000 including \$4,815 motor trucks and \$5,013 passenger cars; metal manufactures \$2,303,000; iron and steel mill products \$1,142,000; air conditioning and refrigeration equipment \$3,328,000; aircraft and parts \$4,380,000; meat products \$504,000; dairy products \$173,000; rice \$777,000; wheat \$510,100; flour \$2,010,000; linseed oil \$215,000; fruits and preparations \$225,000; rubber manufactures \$773,000; cigarettes \$399,000; cotton manufactures \$438,000; synthetic fibres manufactures \$1,235,000; saw-mill products \$499,000; wood manufactures \$213,000; paper products \$400,000; lubricating oils \$2,258,000; glass products \$223,000; pipe valves \$411,000; petroleum refining equipment \$380,000; tractors and parts \$304,000; truck-laying tractors \$308,000; industrial chemicals \$140,000; chemical specialties \$1,997,000 and medicinal and pharmaceutical products \$407,000. —United Press.

35,000,000,000 or 42 per cent of the world total, and upon future exploration, some estimate think may represent about one-half of the world total.

Consequently the mere possibility of a future shut-down on the oil transport "life line" at Suez sent a shudder through the petroleum industry.

Natural Gas Exports
An expert told the United Press that one effect of the Suez crisis will be a general speed-up in experimental programmes for the liquefaction of natural gas, so that it can be transported on tanker.

The natural gas in many oil-fields, where it cannot be piped to metropolitan areas for consumption, is now wasted. The future holds possibility of great international trade in liquid products from gas.

The technical problems in the liquefaction are largely solved, but the processes and transportation are hazardous, and still in a stage of experimentation. Evaluations of the safety hazards are presently in progress.

When the liquefied natural gas can be transported safely by tankers, a tremendous new source of fuel will become available to the world, supplementary to petroleum. Besides the natural gas which is found in oil-fields, there are believed to be exploitable natural gas supplies in many areas where petroleum production is not economical.

A significant indication of the future increase in the international importance of natural gas is seen in a report from Saudi Arabia. In 1955, a group of United States investors was reported to be interested in the possible natural gas from the Arabian-American oil company operations.

The project was to consider the possibility of the liquefaction of methane from the surplus gas with a view to its shipment at low temperatures to Europe, or especially to Japan. Results of the negotiations are not known here, but a report said that the project might eventually involve an investment up to \$100,000,000.

Submarine Oil

A second technological reaction to the Suez Canal crisis will be a speed-up of submarine oil exploration and recovery in many parts of the world. The petroleum offers expanding resources in countries that could consume it nationally—as the United States—or countries with strategically certain lines of communication. The United States, for example, has estimated reserves of 20,000,000,000 barrels of petroleum in offshore submarine areas, potentially capable of recovery. Within the last five years, due to technical advances, it has become practicable to recover petroleum from 200 feet below the sea surface. Formerly an ocean depth from 60 to 100 feet was regarded as the maximum depth for operations at sea.

This technical progress is potentially of economic importance to Venezuela and Trinidad in the Gulf of Paria and to the Persian Gulf area.

In the hypothetical event that there should be a long interruption of Suez Canal traffic, many countries and particularly the United States and Brazil—would have a new motive to consider the exploitation of their oil-shale and low-grade coal resources.

Technical problems of extracting liquids from such areas have been largely solved, but exploitation has not been practicable from an economic standpoint. But if there would be a war, or a disruption of international commerce which led to substantially higher prices for petroleum, then the relative costs of producing liquid fuels from oil-shale or coal might change sufficiently to make commercial production feasible. —United Press.

Weekly New York Stock Market Review

By Elmer Walzer

New York, Aug. 12.

The stock market community tried unsuccessfully last week to rationalize the seriousness of the Suez Canal situation.

Market men said for a time that the inflationary implications of the steel wage-price spiral would offset the Suez Canal expropriation and help the market to new record highs.

The market all but followed their thinking. The industrial average crossed the old April 6 record high on Thursday but backed away before the close. That average along with the rails and utilities closed lower on the week.

It was the first weekly decline in utilities in nine weeks during which the average had risen to a new high since March 20, 1951. Railroad shares were still under the influence of the steel strike which cost them a lot of profit, a wage hike and a plea for higher passenger and freight rates.

The market analysts pointed out that at current level the market was in delicate territory. Many traders, they noted, are willing to sell for profits and demand has to be very high to keep the rise moving.

There were many favourable and a few unfavourable in the week's corporate news.

EARNINGS REPORTS

Several corporations issued highly favourable first half year earnings reports. Including Crucible Steel, American Chalk & Carbon, Curtiss-Wright, Thomson Submarine Bearing, United Aircraft, and Coca-Cola.

General business news was seen as favourable, including resumption of steel making with the steel rate up nearly 200 per cent over the previous week but 40 per cent under a year ago.

On Monday the market was hard hit—industrial fell 6.39 points, widest break since June 8. Recoveries came in the ensuing three sessions.

On Friday, selling developed again with the international oils showing substantial losses and declining tendencies noted through most of the list, although closings generally were well above the day's lows. —United Press.

London Market Has Very Cautious Week

By C. T. Hallinan

London, Aug. 12.

Markets had a short week—due to Monday's bank holiday—and a very cautious one, due mostly to politicians and due to industry or finance.

Oil shares were talked about incessantly and the reckless ones sold them short, but the total decline brought them no more than 15 per cent below their all-time peaks of some three weeks ago, and they still have the strongest following of any sector of the stock exchange.

However, despite plenty of bargain-hunting, the selling continued to lower Royal Dutch some £5 to £76½ and British Petroleum nearly 16 shillings to 144 shillings 0 pence. Shell Transport lost 12 shillings. Almost the sole exception—excluding those like the Canadian issue, Trinidad Oil—share which improved, nearly rose £1½ to £55.

Obviously a lot of fishing in troubled waters.

What saved the week from a slump was the conviction that, no matter how rude Sir Anthony Eden and Nasser got in their mutual remarks, "there will be no war." Not even another Korean-type war.

Erratic

British government stocks were erratic but in general they were pressed for sale.

War Loan 3½ per cent, lost 14th to £70, very close to the low of £69½, which it touched last year. This huge issue has an immense influence on the

Indonesia-Soviet Trade Pact

Djakarta, Aug. 12.
Indonesia signed a trade agreement with the Soviet Union today.

Details were not disclosed, however, the pact was hailed as a forerunner of future negotiations for exchange of Indonesian rubber, copra and other raw materials for Soviet goods and technical aid.

The agreement was signed by Acting Secretary of Foreign Minister Dr. Nubandrio and E. F. Semichashoff, Soviet Vice Minister of Trade.

A spokesman for the Foreign Ministry said that Soviet representatives will visit Indonesia in country-side and perhaps open further negotiations following President Soekarno's visit to Russia. —United Press.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$140,000. Most quotations are the morning's transactions.

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
BANKS	1040	1060	
UK Bank			
INSURANCES			
Union	890	40½	
Shipping			
Wheelock	800	880	1000 = 870
ROCKS, ETC.			
Doek			41
Prudent (O)			14
LAND, ETC.			
HK Land	1450	1480	
Heck	1425	145	
RUBBER			
Amels	1475	1520	10,000 = 150
Utilities			
Train	2350	2500	
Yamutai	1000	1000	
C. Light (O)	2340	23½	
Electric	30½	30½	
144 = 20½			
TELEPHONE	2430	24½	
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	35½	35½	1000 = 75 75
STONES, ETC.			
Dairy			
Watson	1140	12	
Investment			
Wangtze	1180	1200	1570
Alfred			370

Middle East Affects US Business Week

By JOHN MORRIS

New York, Aug. 12.

The impact of the Middle East crisis over Egypt's seizure of the Suez Canal continues to dominate the US business week.

International oil stocks and commodities moved in wide price-arcs this past week in line with tensions in the Middle East.

Oil stocks steadied somewhat at the end of last week as the initial shock of the Egyptian seizure lessened. But weekend developments—namely British and French military preparations for a possible action in the Middle East—dampened temporarily—hopes for a peaceful solution of the international controversy.

Prices of leading commodities and oil stocks reflected this rising anxiety on Monday. Oil shares were the hardest hit in a slumping market. Stock prices had their biggest one-day drop—6.39 points in the Dow-Jones Industrial average—since President Eisenhower was elected on June 8. Among the oil stocks, Royal Dutch Petroleum, with Middle East commitments, closed at 100½, off 6½ points the day. Gulf Oil, with big holdings in Kuwait, dropped 8½ points at close at 127½.

Firmed On Fears

International commodities meanwhile firmed on fears of possible shortages and interruption to a steady flow of materials via the Suez. World sugar, rubber, tin, wool, grains and copper—all showed improvement.

There was thereafter a noticeable pickup in confidence in U.S. financial circles as world political leaders talked more of a peaceful solution and less of military action.

President Eisenhower at his news conference expressed the hope "that good sense will prevail in the Suez question. British Prime Minister Anthony Eden subsequently held out hopes of a peaceful settlement. And Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru urged Britain and France to refrain from military action.

Oil shares improved and all-most regained their Monday losses. Stock market prices rallied, recovering five of the six points on average lost earlier. By Thursday, industrial prices in their average were again within touching distance of their historic on April 6—621.05.

Meanwhile, thirteen international oil companies held a closed meeting last week with interior department oil and gas director, Hugh Stewart, to lay out plans to deal with the Suez situation. The meeting was held in New York and the participants declined to disclose the nature of their talks. However, it was understood that the conference discussed the whole question of action to be taken in the event Middle East oil shipments through the Suez are curtailed.

Petition Filed

Oil circles here feel that the United States has already mapped out a course of action should Middle East operations be stopped. The New York meeting was said to have gone into the problem of possible European oil shortages, the question of dollar shortages, and possible reorganization of world tanker fleets to deal with any breakdown in Middle East oil sources.

Elsewhere eighteen domestic oil producers filed a petition with the government asking that oil imports be reduced. Under the reciprocal trade agreement, the President could impose quotas, should imports be felt to have reached the point of injuring an industry vital to the nation's defence. Importers have been warned to voluntarily cut down on their imports. The petition said that imports should equal about 10.6 per cent of domestic production. It has instead been running about 20 per cent of production.

While the closing of the Suez would certainly be considered catastrophic, American financial circles remain hopeful that some solution might be found short of war or a prolonged closing of the Canal.

Standard & Poor's financial analysts, echoes the optimistic note of many expert observers in the United States. It finds assurance in the oil industry's flexibility—in that even if the Suez is closed, other oil sources are still available, although admittedly only with some difficulty. A Suez close down would probably mean that production from Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Iran and other Middle East sources would have to be reduced, possibly by at least 10

NY COTTON MARKET REVIEW

By William T. Plunkett

New York, Aug. 12.

Cotton futures rose sharply last week despite a higher than expected government crop estimate.

At Friday's close, the flat ruled 10 to 63 points—80 cents to 3.15 a bale—higher than last week's closing prices.

The first two sessions of the week were largely routine and quiet as traders awaited the crop estimate. Distant deliveries, however, provided some interest, showing substantial gains on increased popularity of the soil bank. Many in the trade feel the soil bank next year will be more effective in reducing cotton acreage.

Wednesday's crop estimate at 13,522,000 bales, well above the average 12.9 million bales anticipated in cotton circles, failed to stir the market to any extent.

PRICES DIPPED

Prices dipped on the report but pressure was restrained by general belief in the trade that the government schedule did not take into account full effects of the soil bank. By Wednesday's close prices had risen as much as \$1.50 a bale over Tuesday on speculative short covering.

That was the extent of the impact of estimates and traders were seeking fresh incentives the following day.

The Friday session saw further speculative short covering which, in the face of a scarcity of offerings, added extra strength to the market.

The Department of Agriculture's crop report also indicated the yield per acre of last cotton at 394 pounds of Aug. 1, compared with 417 pounds harvested last year and an average 283 pounds over the last ten years.

The Department said the average yield—second highest on record—reflects the farmers' efforts to grow cotton on their best land, to use more fertilizer and improve cultural practices in the face of acreage reductions. —United Press.

The Bank Of England Statement

London, Aug. 12.

The Bank of England statement for the week ended Aug. 8, reads as follows:

Note in circulation	1,977,807,858
Public deposits	10,900,000
Private deposits	216,901,629
Government securities	23,008,034
Other securities	20,646,360
Receipts	6.9
Ratio	6.9

—United Press.

The Bank Of France Statement

Paris, Aug. 12.

The Bank of France statement for the week ended Aug. 3, reads as follows:

Total gold holdings	301,204,302.420
Total other currencies	15,875,953.450
Slight balance abroad	127,515,100.000
In ECU	140,500,000.000
Advance to Stabilization Fund	1,538,791,396.122
Total bills discounted	1,538,791,396.122
Reserve in circulation	3,002,785,143.015
Current accounts and deposits	167,163,441,116

—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the official exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per \$1)	6.00
Sterling (per £1)	16.14
Australian notes (per £1)	12.05
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	18.90
Siam baht (per 100)	27.20
Singapore (Straits)	1.01

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WELFARE WORK

THERE are times of day when Euston station seems almost to have been annexed or been victim of a take-over bid by the Irish.

At those hours, boys from isolated villages in Galway or Limerick or Clare meet and greet, without surprise, neighbours and friends they had not seen since childhood.

There is a kind of inevitability about the encounters and if an Irishman hung around Euston long enough, he surely would meet there everyone he had ever known.

Dennis, a stocky, dark-haired man from Kerry, has spent much time there lately.

VICTIM NO. 1

HE has appointed himself a kind of welfare officer to the raw visitors whom every boat-train delivers, though it is his own welfare and not theirs that is his first concern.

Dennis found one such the other evening. An Irishman newly arrived, who was so enchanted with London, or so hard up, that he wanted to trade in the return half of his ticket to Dublin.

"You mean you want a refund?" asked Dennis.

"If that's me money back, that's right," said the other.

"Leave it to me," Dennis said. "I work here, they all know me."

AND NO. 2

HE took the other's ticket, and with it a small impressionist's portrait of the man who had just asked for it.

"Can you not do it?" the stranger asked at last.

"Oh, I'll do it," said Dennis, "but all the big men have gone now, the ones I talk to. Tell you what, meet me here at 10.15 tonight. I'll have the money by then."

Dennis possibly did have the money by 10.15, but he did not keep his appointment. After he had waited an hour or so, the new hand went to the police.

Two or three days later Dennis was at work again.

This time he met a man who wanted to get to Ireland, but had learned no more bookings could be made.

VIGIL

DENNIS took pity on his helplessness, and took the £5 the other produced for him. "I work here," he said, "I'll soon fix you a seat."

He darted off in a business-like way towards the booking office. His client was full of trust and waited where he stood. Dennis did not return.

Each night, after that, for a week, for two weeks, the robbed man returned to Euston to wait and wait for Dennis. He saw him at last, called a policeman, and Dennis was arrested.

OULD ACQUAINTANCES AT the Clerkenwell court, he pleaded guilty to stealing the ticket and the £5.

"Is anything known about him?" Mr. D. G. Hovey asked.

There were 10 previous convictions against Dennis, three of them for theft. "What do you want to say?" the magistrate asked Dennis, who answered with silence and a shrug.

"I don't think I can impose a heavy enough sentence on you," said the magistrate. "You must go to Seclions."

Dennis shrugged again, and left nodding, as he walked to the cells to acquaintances paying fines to the sergeant-grocer the price of being found drunk the night before. If an Irishman were to spend enough mornings at Clerkenwell, he would surely meet a great many people he knew.

Lost—And Found

A well-known solicitor, pacing around the rooms, peering under benches, into docks, aroused the curiosity of the Court in the hearing of appeals before the Full Court this morning.

Apologising for the distraction he explained: "I am looking for exhibits in a tenancy case, my Lords."

He eventually found them—a whole sackful—under the Press bench.

'HONGKONG SUNDAY' AT CAMBRIDGE

A "Hongkong Sunday" was held recently at St Philip's Church, Cambridge, where the curate, the Rev. Basil Morais, preached on the work of God in Hongkong.

The Rev. Morais is an old boy of the Diocesan Boys' School who left the Colony during the early part of the war to go to England via Free China.

Writing to the China Mail, the Rev. Morais said almost 100 undergraduates attended the service.

He added: "Prayer meetings on Hongkong and Southeast Asia in CMS Fellowship of the University had been leading up to this 'Hongkong Sunday' at Cambridge, where there is a deep, prayerful interest in our part of the world."

MARILYN GOES CYCLING

Windsor, Aug. 13.

Marilyn Monroe and her playmate, Arthur Miller, took their first ride through the English countryside.

They headed out from their honeymoon home at nearby Englefield, across for Windsor Great Park—where the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh often go riding with their children.

Few noticed Marilyn in blue denim trousers and dark sunglasses as she rode down the tree-lined lanes and across the broad sun-splashed swards of the park—Reuters.

MAN INJURED

A private motor car knocked down and injured a 45-year-old Chinese in Shan Kwong Road at 11.50 p.m. yesterday.

The pedestrian, Wong Sam-man, of 4, Wang Tak Street, ground floor, sustained injuries and is receiving treatment in hospital.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Since he retired he's had a dozen different ideas—yesterday it was raising chickens, today it's chinchillas!"

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Book Review

Sir—I highly appreciate your reviewer's logical comments appearing in your issue of August 4 on my book "Post Arts in Tule." In publishing further editions I shall certainly do as your reviewer kindly advised me for which I offer him my sincere thanks. As regards my mixing up stamp collecting with propaganda, I wish him to pardon me for saying that his remarks appear unjustified from a philatelic point of view, inasmuch as the design of a stamp is by itself a tiny poster for political propaganda. In this connection, I allow me to reiterate here that famous professors, Messrs John Crossland and J. M. Parrish, a stamp collector will learn the rise of governments, the redistribution of land, changes of rulers, and important political events; and stamps are the silent witnesses of that which has passed away.

His conclusion that the reason for my publishing Volume III first was my wish to reinforce propaganda work in favour of Free China—a vis-à-vis aggression is correct. I have done this because I should be loyal to my country.

My chief concern is to ensure a wide distribution in America so as to promote friendship and co-operation between two countries which should know each other better. Post Arts in Tule fulfils this purpose to a great extent. With your reviewer's encouragement, I shall continue my struggle to produce a more interesting and improved series.

CHU CHANG SING. Share Report

Sir—A reader has kindly drawn my attention to an error in last Friday's share market report. In it I stated inadvertently that Hongkong Land's interim dividend was \$2. In fact, it was \$2 less tax. The dividend announced last week was a net figure of \$1.75. I regret the error.

YOUR CORRESPONDENT.

Opium Seized On Sampan

A party of Police seized 24½ pounds of prepared opium on board a sampan in Tsunatui Typhoon Shelter at about 11.50 a.m. yesterday.

A 42-year-old man, Leung Chai, was this morning charged with possession of the opium before Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central and was remanded for four days in goal custody.

No plea was taken.

NAMESAKES

Answers:—1. Allegory, Furioso, 3 Italy, 4 Poetry, Slanzas, 6 Myth, 7 Orlando, Ariosto (the epic poet).

India's First Settlements In Malaya Discovered?

Kuala Lumpur, Aug. 13.

A team of archaeologists led by Mr K. C. Tregomming, Acting Field Director, Archaeological Society, University of Malaya, has just discovered what they think may be six major sites of the first Indian colony in Malaya in the first century AD.

They have already found two pedestals of ancient Indian origin in the area lying between the rivers Muda and Merbok, in South Kedah, the northernmost State on the east coast of Malaya. In 1912, in the same region, a golden gear was discovered.

The archaeologists did not reveal the names of the sites as they wanted to prevent pillage before the excavating process takes place. This will be done next year.

The Indian traders from the Coromandel coast began to arrive in the Malayan peninsula and other parts of the archipelago in great numbers about the first century AD.

ISLAM'S COMING

Their chief settlement was on the river Medok in Kedah. As Islam passed all the various Indian city-states came under the domination of Sri Vijaya, the Indo-Malay king, who not only reigned over the part of Malaya comprising the northern Malayan states and southern Siam, but also the whole of the Indonesian archipelago.

Indian economic and cultural dominance lasted in Malaya from the early Christian era up to about the 15th century when it was weakened and destroyed by the Islamic invasion.

But the large number of Sanskrit words which the Indians brought into the Malay language have not disappeared yet, and relics of primitive Indian temples can be found all over the country.

During the survey, carried out in thick jungle swamps, the archaeologists were hampered by their work by the presence of a large number of cobras and alligators.

When they excavate the site, they expect to find precious Indian relics which might bring new clues to the history of the first Indian settlers in Malaya and yield more details on the life of the fabulous Indian king Sri Vijaya.—France-Press.

GOLD NECKLACE STOLEN

A gold necklace was stolen from a Chinese woman in Castle Peak Road, near Tonkin Street, at 8 p.m. yesterday.

A pickpocket stole cash from a Chinese pedestrian at Ramsey Street at 11.30 p.m. yesterday.

He himself checked to see whether there were sufficient funds from the particular allotment to meet the application and if so Mok would make out the application form and the contractor sign it. The Garrison engineer then signed this form. Mok would enter it in a Bill Book and both the Bill Book and the form were sent to Maj. Peachey and would be entered into an account by the witness.

CONSPIRACY AND CORRUPTION CASE

Solicitor Takes On Defence Of Two Army Officers

Mr J. C. B. Slack of Messrs Hastings announced in the Victoria District Court this morning that he would be taking on the defence of two British Army officers accused, together with a Chinese contractor, of charges of conspiracy and corruption in connection with the military road TWSK.

Mr Slack was the instructing solicitor of the case. Mr John Clifford, Counsel for the two officers, Maj. Donald Peachey, 17 and Capt. Harry Curtis, 40, both of the Royal Engineers.

The case, which is being heard by Judge K.R. Macfee, was adjourned for a week owing to the death of Mr Clifford.

Mr Slack had said he wished to consult his clients and consider whether to carry on the case by himself or to brief another Counsel.

The other accused in the case, Chiu Chung-sang, 38, managing partner of the Shun Hing Construction Co., is represented by Mr Patrick Yu, instructed by Zimmern and Co.

Mr J. Hobbie, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting.

Judge's Plea

The trial continued this morning with Mr Slack concluding the cross-examination of Yuen Yiu-wai, deputy clerk of works employed by the War Office.

This witness was given a talking to by the Judge who complained that he never gave a direct answer "Yes" or "No" but would "babble away" at other things.

He almost reached the end of his endurance," Judge Macfee said, calling Yuen an unsatisfactory witness.

After several questions Yuen agreed that he was foreman in some resurfacing work on TWSK near the Tsun Wan end. He said his job was to see which portions of the road needed resurfacing together with Capt. Curtis who was the Garrison Engineer, and then he would prepare estimates with plans for Capt. Curtis to approve.

He at first agreed with Mr Slack that on one occasion in early 1955 he had a large section of the road resurfaced without Curtis' permission, but later denied it was done without permission.

He explained that estimates he prepared included this portion and he had sent these to Curtis together with a sketch of the portion.

Mr Slack suggested that the area was 33 feet wide and 120 feet long, but the witness said it was more like 80 square yards.

Yes?

Mr Slack asked Yuen whether Curtis said anything to him after the road was made. The witness began: "He said..." but the Judge asked him whether he meant "yes."

The witness said he did. "Well yes," said Yuen. "I can hear," said Judge Macfee. The witness complied.

Further questioned by Mr Slack he agreed that Curtis told him he should not have allowed that portion to be resurfaced and that he could pay the contractor himself because it was done without permission.

Yuen said he did not know whether the contractor was paid for it or not.

Cheque Book

Capt. F. W. Kench of the Special Investigation Branch of the Royal Military Police, was recalled to produce a cheque-book which he got from the office of Maj. Peachey.

He agreed that there was a counterfoil which showed "Dodwells for car" £33 2s. 6d., and another which showed "Dodwells" £32 10s. 3d.

A clerk of the DCRE, Yung Wai-chai, testified that Maj. Peachey came to Tai Lam Chung from early 1953 to last December.

He described the method of payments to contractors on account for work they had been doing. The application for payment was made by the contractor concerned and the worker clerk, T. Mok, made out the account.

He himself checked to see whether there were sufficient funds from the particular allotment to meet the application and if so Mok would make out the application form and the contractor sign it. The Garrison engineer then signed this form.

Mok would enter it in a Bill Book and both the Bill Book and the form were sent to Maj. Peachey and would be entered into an account by the witness.

Yuen said that the contractor would be paid within 35 days, but added that he had nothing to do with this payment.

Cross-examined by Mr Slack, he agreed that the Chief Engineer Col. Stilleman, predecessor to Col. Orchard, the financial clerk, WO Copeland, and the finance officer, Maj. Jordan, used to visit his office periodically especially near the end of the financial year which was on March 31.

Copeland would inspect his books and Col. Stilleman would see Maj. Peachey.

He said that in the Army money was allocated each year for various services and if not spent in that year, the money was surrendered. Fresh applications had to be made the next year.

Hearing is proceeding.

Two Appeals Dismissed

The Full Court, comprising the Hon. the Chief Justice, Mr Justice M. J. Hogan, and Mr Justice C. W. Reece, Senior Puisne Judge, dismissed two appeals against sentences this morning.

The first appellant, Yeung Kail-sun, who was sentenced to seven years and eight strokes of the cane for wounding a Prison officer, Raymond Hansen, pleaded that he met his misfortune this time due to domestic troubles. He said he had to support his parents and a young wife.

"I am illiterate and I ask your Lordship to excuse my stupidity for the crime committed."

Refusing the appeal, Mr Justice Hogan said the Full Court had listened to what he had said. The assault the appellant had committed was a serious one. "You used an axe and inflicted on the head of the Prison officer a wound which might have been fatal."

"In all the circumstances, we do not think we would be justified to interfere with the sentence imposed by the Court."

The Full Court also dismissed an appeal brought by Ramchand Sramul Lalwani, 29, who was sentenced to four years for an unnatural offence.

OAG Visits Printing Works

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Mr E. B. Davitt, this morning paid a visit to the Government Printing Department in Java Road, North Point.

Accompanied by Mr W. F. C. Jenner, Government Printer, to the Printing Department where they were met by Mr S. Young, Assistant Government Printer.

His Excellency toured the spacious plant for an hour.

He showed great interest in printing in all its different processes from linotype setting to the final binding of books.

Attending His Excellency was Sub-Inspector F. C. Kong.

Storm Heading For Formosa

Manila, Aug. 13.

Northern Luzon was lashed by strong winds yesterday as the low pressure cell plotted two days ago east of Luzon developed into a tropical storm which is now heading for Formosa.

As a result the Weather Bureau yesterday issued a storm warning for Northern Luzon and an advisory for the rest of Luzon.

The storm, late yesterday, was moving west-north-west at 12 miles per hour in the direction of Formosa.—France-Press.

From Our Files

100 Years Ago

The Criminal Sessions spoken of in our issue of Saturday last were adjourned on Thursday until next Monday—the usual monthly sitting of the Court in Summary Jurisdiction, on the first Friday in the month, causing this delay. From the number of cases on the list, with a sitting in Nisi Prius when that list is got through we incline to an opinion that it will be late in the day on Monday before the Criminal Sessions can resume. Who with this amount of judicial business in such a climate, will be hardy enough to say we have no necessity for a second Jury? His Lordship the Chief Justice, we are glad to see, does not yet exhibit symptoms of flagging under it—and that is more than can be said for others, for the system often for a jury panel is telling—and which, as has been the case on several occasions—one man finds himself called to try every case in the Calendar, the hardship of the thing is denounced as no joke. Jurors may sitting day after day in this way is harder work than double their customary labour.

The hardship would be lessened had the Jurors, and the establishment generally—a better place of meeting. Readers at a distance can imagine what we have to endure when we tell them that the up stair room on the Queen's Road, honoured with the name of "Supreme Court House," has its ceiling about three feet above the tops of the windows (windows at one end of the room only—the south, whence a breeze seldom comes)—has two doors, and two small punkahs—over the Judge's seat—one over the Jurors; and in this room, in the sultry months of July, August, and September, we are expected to remain for seven or eight hours at a sitting (we had three consecutive days of such period on the "Victory" case alone, last Sessions)—every inch of spare room behind the dock being filled with unwashed steaming, Chinese. A Juror, indeed, in a week state of health, had much better pay a hundred dollars fine, than with all of such sum for Medical attendance, have the discomfort of a double physicking—physic in and physic out of Court.

Of a truth, this state of things—this bar to the perfect administration of justice—is doubly reflecting on a Governor who can boast of a surplus revenue. Other Governors have been able to excuse their shortcomings with the plea of "scanty purse." Such may not be the case with Sir John Bowring, and we would put it to His Excellency whether, instead of for a Bowring Praya, the public money would not be better expended on a substantial Hall of Justice. Let it be called the Bowring Court—or the Bowring Hall—if H.E. is still desirous of keeping his name prominent in the memory of those British residents here who so much love his name and his antecedents. For models we would commend the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas at home. The great faults of those buildings—the height of the galleries and the difficulty of hearing in them—would be benefited here. What can Chinese spectators regard on such scores?—whilst the further they are removed from Europeans the greater the comfort.

But we may not expect any such boon from Sir John Bowring as that of a new Hall of Justice; and must rest content with some improvement of the one we now have. Such improvement, or rather improvements, necessities—comprise the following: The erection of a substantial Verandah on the roof front, for the special use of three or four Coolies to keep in motion a plank of Punkah—the construction of Necessaries, with facilities for getting at them; the removal of the Witness room, or station on the top of the landing by the subordinate Officer entrance door to some more convenient place, giving repose to a little ventilation. Repair of the roof and ceiling, so that writers for the press may not be continually dwelling on the question "Amen, when would the decision be?" I got my shivers from the faults, above! These are four most necessary requisites; and should any of our British residents, or others, we can only say we shall be glad to advertise them. An article from the European Times on "Justice in Java" is apt to our subjects. It will be found among our extracts.

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